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FROM THE GENERAL PRESIDENT

Dear Presidents: As it was uggested in the Boards that each local lodge that desired wolud give me twenty or thirty cents as an Xmas gift, I wish to expres my appreciation to those of you who have contributed. In the next isue of the Echo I shall publish the names of the presidents and the number of the lodges and the amount contributed.

Yours for the good of the order,

E. F. YOUNG.

BOARDS CLOSED

We have closed the last of our five Boards at Mt. Olive, Miss., December 19, 1928. The Echo being small, and being published twice per month and having five Boards meeting at present, we do not have space to comment on the Boards as we desire. I know of no better way of putting it than this. We had five snatching good Boards. Now pardon men for the slang. C. H. Hamilton and his good members, with that hustling pastor, Rev. A. L. Bohannan, made things hum. John McLaughlin and his good members, with that hustling pastor, Rev. Howze, made things zig and zag. When we were zigging we ought to have been zagging. I never saw so many folks at the H. B. A. Boards in all my life. I don't know which place beat—DeKalb of DeSoto—but both of these "D's" went to it. We had a splendid Board at Lawrence, Miss., Mrs. M. E. Curry, local president, but it was a cold day and we were in a new place, and our attendance was small. Mrs. Curry is a hustling woman and ere long the A. & V. will be a strong point with the H. B. A. At present the A. & V. tries to be hard, but we will crack that nut after awhile. We were in St. Louis Baptist Church, pastored by Rev. G. C. Wells. We had another big time. Rev. Wells is not only a pastor, but is president of a lodge. That is something you don t see every day. Rev. Wells is a broad man with clear visions, and is really putting the program over. We had a splendid time at Sumrall. Our attendance was good, considering the fact that Sumrall is a saw mill town and the people do not turn out much during the day. The next day we were at Mt. Olive, Miss., at Zionell Church, and there we had another big time. B. J. Tatum and his good folks tried themselves. What they haven't got you will have to go somewhere else for it.

SECRETARY.

LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the many readers know that my wife and I are still working in our locality for the good of the H. B. A. We are getting persons to join whom we think would make loyal members, both to the local lodge and the general body. I have read a few things in the Echo that were a little painful to me, but I am trusting that things will be beter in the future. I am proud to say that we don't have any trouble in our lodge whatever. We have one old rooster in our lodge, but the pen had four little baby chicks in it and these little baby chicks are all we need. So we are doing nicely at present in Lodge No. 92. I love to read the Echo, so let it roll on and on.

REV. D. L. BARNETT.

NO CASH IN LETTERS

Please do not send cash money in letters unless you register same. It does not show business-like methods. We have quite a few presidents who send from 2 cents to $5.00 in cash without the letter being registered. I could receive the money and then say that I had not received it, and you would not have any proof showing that I had received it. Again, the money could be lost before getting to me. Sometimes I get letters with from 10 cents to $1.00 in silver money rattling in the envelope. No mail carrier, neither any person receiving money likes such business. If you do not care to get a post office money order or a cashier's check, please send the amount in stamps, otherwise it is done at your own risk.

GENERAL SECRETARY.

ELECTRIC MILLS, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A.'s and those who read this wonderful little paper know that we the members of Lodge No. 341 are doing nicely. We had our anniversary sermon preached by the Rev. Spencer. We had a glorious meeting. We raised a nice little sum—$8.00.

REV. TOM DAVIS, Pres.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers and friends of the H. B. A. know that we the members of Lodge No. 42 lost one of our members, Bro. Bruce Clayton. He died November 28, 1928. Brother Bruce was a faithful member of the H. B. A. and the church. He left a wife, sixteen children and a host of friends to mourn his loss. Sleep on, Brother Clayton, with the Heavenly Host.

MRS. VINIA CLAYTON,
President.

Lauderdale, Miss.

The editor and his office force wish to thank one of our local presidents, in the person of Mr. E. C. Cole, for a splendid mess of greens. They ate like more. It will take us a long time to forget such a gift as that. Good old greens will make you strong. Come again, Brother Cole.

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AGENT FINED AND SUSPENDED

It was the painful duty of the General President in the last Board, held at Mt. Olive, Miss., to fine and suspend one of our best agents, in the person of Dr. W. J. Tate. The fine was $5.00 and he was suspended for ten days for the carelessness of taking in people who were too old. The President has had to fine and suspend two agents in the last thirty days. Our agents, local presidents and lodges as well, are violating the law pertaining to old age. That is the main reason we are having so many deaths more than usual. I am willing to see an agent, president, or lodge, fined on the first offense and on the second offense, whoever it may be, I want to see him put out of the order for good. As General Secretary, I have had the opportunity to put plenty of old people in and draw a share of the money at their death, but what does it profit me to fill my pocket and kill the Association? The most of our people who commit these wrong deeds have not seriously considered the matter. Most of the people feel that there is nothing wrong done when they take old people in. They know at the time that these persons are too old. It is nothing in the world but an intelligent way to steal. Dr. Tate is a splendid man—a splendid agent—but we have paid off two claims—one in the September Board and one in the December Board—for people who were from ten to twenty years too old when they joined. He doesn't particularly mean harm, but he certainly does harm. Dr. Tate won the $10.00 prize in the last Board. He puts in more new members than any agent in the State of Mississippi. I think we have dealt lightly with our agents long enough concerning these old members. I can name six agents who have been dealt with lightly, but from now henceforth and forever we want to deal with them like thunder. Boys, when you do right we are with you to help keep you right. When you do wrong your shirt needs examining. Some of the local presidents and lodges are worse than the agents. I think some of this is because members are not being taken in our lodges according to law. But few of the local lodges ballot on members, and we have stressed this idea for a number of times. I do not mention the ballot box in order that you may purchase the ballot box from the office, nor do I think that all loyal presidents and members should send to the office for their ballot boxes, but buy your ballot box from whatever company or place you desire if you do not want to send to the office for them, but after all, ballot on your members according to law and stop embarrassing your members by having a rising vote or a raising of the hand. We can furnish you the balls and the boxes at a reasonable price. A ballot box and twenty balls for $1.50 plus the postage, and if you can get one for fifty cents some place else, get it, but by all means be an up-to-date president and lodge. We want to ask all presidents, lodges and members to notify the office about these old and sick members being taken in. We will take care of you. If you don't want your name revealed we will keep it, but we will get the other fellow.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of Lodge No. 285 are doing nicely. We are expecting to entertain the Board in March at Mt. Rose, Miss. We want you all to come to Mt. Rose with the H. B. A. spirit and set Mt. Rose on fire with the H. B. A. We hope all of our field agents will be present. Come one, come all, come great and come small, for we are getting things ready now.

H. A. MORGAN, Pres.
Wm. MOORE, Reporter.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many friends know that we the members of Lodge No. 45 are moving along nicely. We met on November 15th and elected our officers. We also took in two new applicants for membership. We want to get the June Board to come to Lambert, Miss.

MRS. LINNIE WALKER,
Reporter.

Dear Rev. Young: We the members of Lodge No. 370 are doing nicely in our lodge. Enclosed you will find a money order for the members of our lodge who failed to pay dues and death claims in the Board. Please send us some application blanks.

REV. J. C. ROSS, Vice-Pres.

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Dear Secretary: I am writing you a few lines to let you and the many readers know that I am still trying to do something for our order. I am trying to make it be what God would have it to be. Enclosed you will find some back death claims. I wish you all a prosperous new year.

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TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1. Abell Smith, No. 77, Bettie Faulkner, president, Ellisville, Miss.

2. Green Granberry, No. 345. Wm. Randall, president, State Line, Mis.

3. Joe McNair, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president ,Magee, Mis.

4. Mary Heard, No. 127. Carrie Jury, president, Shubuta, Mis.

5. Mary Alexander, No. 102. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Mis.

6. Walter Davis, No. 72. D. H. Watson, president, Meridian, Mis.

7. Rosie Warren, No. 190. Rev. Jas. Mitchell, president, Waynesboro, Mis.

8. Allis Whigham, No. 178. E. M. Dunn, president, Hiwanee, Mis.

9. Lucile Harvey, No. 82. Thos. Blakney, president, Quitman, Miss.

10. Bruce Clayton, No. 42. Vinia Clayton, president, Lauderdale, Mis.

11. Emma Horn, No. 112. J. C. Colman, president, DeKalb, Miss.

12. Lizzie Cameron, No. 28. M. V. B. Pitts, president, Toomsuba, Mis.

13. C. U. Dent, No. 299. Esau Sledge, president, Macon, Mis.

The following lodges failed to make a report in the December Board for dues and death claims:

Lodge No. 65, Will Bourdeaux, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 105, W. H. Langham, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 106, S. A. Magee, president, Collins, Miss.

Lodge No. 156, F. H. Hamilton, president, Sylvarena, Miss.

Lodge No. 162, Brantley Calmeas, president, Brooksville, Miss.

Lodge No. 171, E. L. Crosby, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 177, J. D. Pace, president, Shubuta, Miss.

Lodge No. 227, Miles McLendon, president, Purvis, Miss.

Lodge No. 238, Jesse Jenkins, Jr., president, Pearson, Miss.

Lodge No. 250, Sam Freeman, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 283, E. L. Mays, president, Royce, Miss.

Lodge No. 294, Mrs. Carrie Evers, president, Richton, Miss.

Lodge No. 295, Willie Ridgeway, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Lodge No. 298, J. E. Macon, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 230, W. B. Kendrick, president, Hickory, Miss.

Lodge No. 305, E. W. White, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 318, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 320, T. Millender, president, Ovett, Miss.

Lodge No. 321, Rev. O. Bryant, president, Avera, Miss.

Lodge No. 322, Frank Williams, president, Hickory, Miss.

Lodge No. 325, J. C. Smith, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 327, Martha Boyd, president, Crawford, Miss.

Lodge No. 332, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 349, Frank Cole, president, Newton, Miss.

Lodge No. 350, J. L. Miller, president, Bude, Miss.

Lodge No. 356, Elizabeth Anderson, president, Gulfport, Miss.

Lodge No. 363, E. G. Robinson, president, Taylorsville, Miss.

Lodge No. 367, Rev. S. L. Fox, president, Beaumont, Miss.

Lodge No. 372, Rev. S. L. Expose, president, Mize, Miss.

I have received quite a few letters from the local presidents and members as to the uniform worn in the H. B. A. Please read your By-Laws and Constitution and Initiation books.

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SECRETARY HAS FLU

The General Secretary, Rev. R. L. Young, has been confined to his bed since December 20th, 1928, having been stricken with the influenza at Mt. Olive, Miss., December 19, 1928.

SAYS LYNCHING GIVES GOOD VIEW OF CHRISTIANITY

Memphis, Tenn.—Dr. Frank S. Onderdonk, superintendent of Texas Mexican mission, told the International Missionary Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, that news accounts of the lynching of Charley Shepherd, negro murderer and abductor, near Rome, Miss., Monday night, would give to the peoples of the world their "picture of Christianity in America."

"Lots of people can weep over the colored man in Africa," he said, "but they can't keep him from being burned here. The people of China, reading the head lines of that lynching, must say to themselves 'there is your picture of Christianity in America.'"

Referring to the races among whom the church maintains missions, Dr. Onderdonk said, "We simply must change our attitude toward these people."

"Here we are in America on a little strip of land in the midst of the world," he continued, "and we talk about 'Dagoes' and 'Chinks.' Why, they all came from a common origin—it makes no difference whether it was a monkey or a protoplasm."

NEGRO LEAVES MILLION DOLLARS TO UNIVERSITY

Nashville, Tenn.—The Fisk Negro University has been named the beneficiary of the fortune of nearly $1,000,000 left by James Dallas Burros, an aged negro, who died alone and unnoticed on a city street car here.

PRICE LIST OF H. B. A. BADGES

1 to 5	$1.00 Each
5 to 10	.90 "
10 to 20	.80 "
20 to 30	.70 "
30 to 100	.65 "

DEATH CLAIMS

Lodge No.—	Amt.	Back.	Bldg.
22	$39.00	$1.25	
23	114.00		
45	51.15		
49	28.20		
52	55.20		
57	143.10		
62	9.30		
63	25.00		
66	12.00		
71	60.60		
76	29.55	3.45	
92	90.30		
99	30.90		
103	20.10		
102	192.90		
108	82.20		
109	21.45		
115	43.05		
116	64.65		
118	51.15		
120	22.80		
131	47.10		
132	41.70		
133	136.20		
136	14.70		
146	47.10		1.50
148	37.65		
152	25.50		
160	63.65		
167	25.50		
168	7.95		
174	16.05		
179	45.75		
180	17.30		
181	57.90		
183	9.30		
198	61.95		
200	51.15		
201	41.70		4.25
205	14.70		
212	44.40		
217	21.45		
219	33.60		
220	20.10		
221	43.05		
226	40.35		
229	17.40		
231	44.40		
232	37.65		
237	26.85		
245	86.25		
246	3.90		
248	40.35		
254	63.30		
256	28.20		1.25
258	21.45		
260	18.75		
261	91.65		
262	21.45		
263	40.20		
266	21.45		
270	93.00		
271	10.65		
272	10.65		
276	13.35		
277	40.35		
281	12.00		
284	7.95		
293	29.55		
297	20.10		
304	33.60		
306	44.40		
307	43.05		
309	9.30		
310	14.70		
312	26.50		
313	41.70		
315	20.10		
319	24.15		
326	66.00		
330	13.35		
331	29.55		
339	26.85		
342	47.10		
343	43.05		
344	18.75		
345	40.35		
347	18.75		
348	22.80		
352	17.40		
353	9.30		
357	75.45		1.25
362	17.40		
364	13.35		
365	30.90		
368	71.40		
370	21.45		
207	41.70		
197	9.30		
140	18.75		
74	34.75		

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NOTICE!

We have just received a letter from Brother W. H. Langham stating that he made his report at the Board at Sumrall. We are now looking the matter up and if we find that we were mistaken in reporting that his lodge had not reported, we shall be glad to correct same through the Echo. We are now writing Brother Langham asking him for the number of his receipt for it is a matter of business. We can easily adjust and correct provided he has a receipt.

LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the readers know that Lodge No. 79 is doing nicely. We are working in harmony with one another. We are proud to say that on Thanksgiving night we had a wonderful meeting. Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Thompson were our visitors. A nicely prepared luncheon was prepared for the visitors, and a wonderful program was rendered.

MRS. S. M. JACKSON,
President.

BROOKSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: We the members of Lodge No. 185 are doing nicely. We lost one of our faithful members—Brother Henry Sims. He was faithful in his lodge and church as well. Lodge No. 185 has lost a faithful and willing worker. We the members of Lodge No. 185 hope that our loss will be heaven's gain.

WALTER TATE,
President.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the readers know that we the members of Lodge No. 253 are doing nicely. We are steadily growing in membership.

PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

A few days ago the General President and I were talking about the splendid talent that we have in the H. B. A. We have men, women, boys and girls who seem to be gifted in poem and poetry writing—such as the Moodys, the Evans, McCormicks and others too numerous to mention. We believe that it would be a splendid thing to offer prizes at the next Convention for the best poem, the best essay, song, etc., composed by H. B. A. members, pertaining to the H. B. A. All of these essays, poems and songs must be H. B. A. poems, songs, etc. We have in mind to offer five or six prizes for the best composition. We have thought of letting these prizes range from $2.50 to $15.00. Why shouldn't the H. B. A., with all of its splendid talent, offer some inducements that will cause our people to show to the world our innate abilities? We have some people who are members of the H. B. A. who can do whatever anybody else can do, and it is our desire to give them a chance. We have a few knockers around among some of the supposed-to-be leaders, but that is all right, let them knock; every time the H. B. A. is knocked it is knocked higher and higher. I wish to say to all of those of our number who are inclined to be poetical, essay writers or the composers of songs, get ready. We are ready and are willing to help make you famous. What does it matter if you are a country boy, girl, man or woman? Have you thought of the fact that the greatest men and women that the world has produced came from the lower walks of life and the backwoods? Why can't you be a man or a woman? Let's go, H. B. A.'s. The batter is up; the ball is in the pitcher's hand. Strike one, strike two, strike three—you have made a home run.

R. L. Y.

LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please send me a death report blank. One of my members of Lodge No. 165, in the person of Mr. George Jones, accidentally shot and killed himself on December 31, 1928. Please send me a blank so that I can fill out and send same to the office.

H. J. GREEN, Pres.

The following amount was collected in the December Boards—$10,900.95. We paid 36 claimants a total of $220 each, with a small amount to be sent out later. This is the largest collection that we have ever made in the history of the Association. We are steadily growing. We do our best to pay an average of $220.00 at the death of members, and we feel that whenever we have paid $220.00 and above that all members are receiving a nice compensation. The amount paid yearly equals an average of about $8.00.

ERRORS

The readers of the Echo may recall that in the last issue of the Echo there were quite a few typographical and gramattical errors. The Editor was in bed and was not able to read the proofs, and the office force being very busy, together with other obligations, caused us not to be able to present as clean a sheet as we desired.

PINOLA, MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the many readers and members know that one of our members of Lodge No. 368 died January 2, 1929. Early in the morning the death angels summoned Mrs. Lula Walker to her celestial home. Please send me a death report blank.

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Dear Presidents and Members: For some time my brother, R. W. Young, has been appealing to the local presidents and members of our lodges to purchase tombstones to put at the head and foot of graves of your deceased relatives. I have watched the presidents and relatives with a close observation and I find that none of them have become particularly interested in this matter.

I must admit that the stone proposition is somewhat new to our people. It is done on the order of the white people. As a rule our people can not appreciate forward movements.

I want to appeal to you, to your good conscience and to the relatives of the deceased members of your lodges, and see if I can not get you interested in putting tombstones at the graves of your deceased relatives. White people put hundreds of thousands of dollars at the graves of their deceased relatives, not just because they have the money, but in memory of their loved ones. Our presidents and members think whenever a proposition of this kind is brought to them that we are after what money they have got. Suppose every H. B. A. who has been buried had a stone erected in his or her memory. My! my! What a sight it would be seen. We can not tell when we go to a cemetery what the person belonged to nor who he was. On a moon shining night a white cemetery looks like a white cotton field. A colored cemetery on the same kind of night will not be seen until you have stumbled over a plank, a picket or an old rotten log used as a monument. Friends, it takes money to purchase a monument, but money is not all—memory has something to do with it. Will you go to the relatives of the deceased member of your lodge, present this letter and get the mto order a stone from $10.00 up? Don't put all of it under the ground; put some of it on top of the ground. May I hear from you as to the decision of yourself and relatives? You don't have to pay one penny cash unless you desire.

Fraternally yours,
GENERAL SECRETARY.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that Lodeg No. 249 is still moving along. We are striving to grow our membership. We have added two new members since the Board, and two renewals, and we have an application for another new member. We had our anniversary sermon preached by Rev. John Haynes. We raised a nice collection of $20.75. We were honored with having another minister of the gospel present in the person of Rev. N. Carter. Lodge Nos. 290 and 279 were out with us. A wonderful program was rendered. The Juveniles turned out with us. We ask that the whole association pray that we will continually grow.

J. W. HEIDELBURG,
Reporter.

RECEIPTS

Dear Presidents: Whenever you send money to the office do not ask us to send you a receipt unless you send postage for same. If you get a post office money order you get a receipt attached to it, and all you have to do is preserve it and it will protect you in whatever comes up. I have receipts that I have had for fifteen years. You should file your receipts away in a business like way. If you send postage we will gladly send you a receipt.

R. L. Y.

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Dear Presidents: You will notice that we now have eight Boards instead of five. The work in the Boards has grown to the extent that it works us too hard to do the proper good to lecture and give the instruction that the people really want. Therefore we have eight districts. Now please bear in mind that your district may not carry the same number at all times. So far as the number of the district is concerned it may be changed each quarter.

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R. L. Y.

The following lodges failed to make a report in the December Board for dues and death claims:

Lodge No. 65, Will Bourdeaux, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 105, W. H. Langham, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 106, S. A. Magee, president, Collins, Miss.

Lodge No. 156, F. H. Hamilton, president, Sylvarena, Miss.

Lodge No. 171, E. L. Crosby, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 227, Miles McLendon, president, Purvis, Miss.

Lodge No. 238, Jesse Jenkins, Jr., president, Pearson, Miss.

Lodge No. 250, Sam Freeman, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 283, E. L. Mays, president, Royce, Miss.

Lodge No. 294, Mrs. Carrie Evers, president, Richton, Miss.

Lodge No. 295, Willie Ridgeway, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Lodge No. 298, J. E. Macon, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 305, E. W. White, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 318, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 320, T. Millender, president, Ovett, Miss.

Lodge No. 321, Rev. O. Bryant, president, Avera, Miss.

Lodge No. 322, Frank Williams, president, Hickory, Miss.

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Lodge No. 349, Frank Cole, president, Newton, Miss.

Lodge No. 350, J. L. Miller, president, Bude, Miss.

Lodge No. 356, Elizabeth Anderson, president, Gulfport, Miss.

Lodge No. 363, E. G. Robinson, president, Taylorsville, Miss.

Lodge No. 367, Rev. S. L. Fox, president, Beaumont, Miss.

Lodge No. 372, Rev. S. L. Expose, president, Mize, Miss.

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to say to the many readers of the Echo that Lodge No. 292 is doing nicely. We are few in membership, but these members are all working in harmony. There is always some one barking in the H. B. A., but if they can't run a hot trail what will they do with a cold trail? We have so many people who can hardly meet the local lodge once per month and can't ever meet the Board. It makes no difference how far the Board is off nor how close it is. We really don't need such presidents and members as these in the Order. The ballot boxes are all O. K. The General President has really put the H. B. A. pot on and it has been boiling ever since.

E. L. HILL, Pres.

NOTICE

In the last isue of the Echo we were discussing the method by which members are taken into the local lodges. We mentioned the ballot box. There was a statement that appeared in the issue of the Echo which read as follows: I do not think that all loyal presidents and members should send to the office for their ballot boxes. I wish to correct that statement because I think that if we expect to be in unison our ballot boxes hould be purchased from the headquarters. Now there may be some who will make their boxes; there may be some who will purchase their boxes otherwise. This does not alter the fact that we should send to the office and purchase our ballots and boxes.

R. L. Y.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the many readers of the H. B. A. know that we have lost one of our members from Lodge No. 45, in the person of Brother I. M. Pringle. Brother Pringle was a faithful H. B. A. member. He served as secretary of Lodge No. 45 for eight years. The lodge has lost a faithful member and the community has lost a good citizen. The church will miss Brother Pringle. He was willing to do anything that he could do.

LINNELL WALKER,
Reporter.

It was thought that Mr. Dewit Webster was to some extent pushing a law suit at Hattiesburg against the Holbrook Benevolent Association. We wrote Mr. Webster concerning this matter and Mr. Webster did not reply to our letter but he turned the letter over to the attorneys connected with the law suit and the attorneys wrote to the office stating that Mr. Webster had taken no part in pushing a law suit against the Holbrook Benevolent Association. We are proud to state through the Echo these facts in order that none of us will wrongfully accuse our friend and brother, Mr. Dewit Webster.

R. L. Y.

We had about seventy-five presidents in the last Boards who failed to get their report in on time, but it happened that they got them in along about some time in January before the Echo was published. Hereafter every local president who fails to get his report in on or before the time designated his or her name will appear in the Echo as being late or non reported. In the last Boards we paid $220.00 to each representative and when we got to the office and checked up we found that there were so many slowful lodges that had not reported that we were about $1,200.00 short on death claim, and with all of those reporting back money we have just taken in enough back reports from these slowful lodges to cover the deficit. We recall one or two local presidents who were at the Boards and who had collected death claim and quarterly dues from some of their members, and to our surprise they took that money back home, claiming that because they had not collected from all they wanted to take it back and get the rest. If a president has one hundred members and collects from one member and that one member is himself, it is his duty to make a report in the Boards. Those of you who read the last issue of the Echo and noted the large number of local lodges that had not reported, can readily see that there is something wrong with some of our lodges and presidents. If your people fail to

give you their money, just report to the office that your lodge is not in good standing; you have notified your people of the collection but they failed to respond. Some of the local presidents wrote me that their members were sick with the flu and they would make their reports as early as possible. Now, listen, presidents, does not common sense teach all of us that if our members are sick we should be more eager to see to it that the reports are made on time? Suppose that member dies with the flu who has not made a report, then there is trouble on your end, old boy.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1. Abell Smith, No. 77, Bettie Faulkner, president, Ellisville, Miss.

2. Green Granberry, No. 345. Wm. Randall, president, State Line, Mis.

3. Joe McNair, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president ,Magee, Mis.

4. Mary Heard, No. 127. Carrie Jury, president, Shubuta, Mis.

5. Mary Alexander, No. 102. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Mis.

6. Walter Davis, No. 72. D. H. Watson, president, Meridian, Mis.

7. Rosie Warren, No. 190. Rev. Jas. Mitchell, president, Waynesboro, Mis.

8. Allis Whigham, No. 178. E. M. Dunn, president, Hiwanee, Mis.

9. Lucile Harvey, No. 82. Thos. Blakney, president, Quitman, Miss.

10. Bruce Clayton, No. 42. Vinia Clayton, president, Lauderdale, Mis.

11. Emma Horn, No. 112. J. C. Colman, president, DeKalb, Miss.

12. Lizzie Cameron, No. 28. M. V. B. Pitts, president, Toomsuba, Mis.

13. C. U. Dent, No. 299. Esau Sledge, president, Macon, Mis.

14. Mary Chatman, No. 132. G. W. Knight, president, Summerland, Miss.

15. Frank Heard, No. 290. L. Bonner, president, Vossburg, Miss.

16. Stephen Blakney, No. 82. Thos. Blakney, president, Brooksville, Miss.

17. Henry Sams, No. 185. Walter Tate, president, Brooksville, Miss.

18. I. M. Pringle, No. 45. J. M. Martin, president, Lambert, Miss.

19. Amanda Hartfield, No. 375. P. M. Reeves, president, McLain, Miss.

20. Emma McFarlem, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president, McGee, Miss.

21. Timy Ward, No. 258. George Loving, president, Arm, Miss.

SUMRALL, MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young: Enclosed you will find a check for some back dues and death claim for Lodge No. 237. Please send me one policy for the enclosed application blank. We are doing fine in our lodge. We have some more new members to make on our next meeting night.

Yours for the cause,

REV. G. C. WELLS.

NOTICE

All presidents are to send return postage—those desiring a reecipt, with moneys sent to the office.

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SUMRALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your valuable paper to say something that would be a benefit to the entire membership. First, we are moving along nicely here. Our lodge No. 237 has not lost a member since its organization. We made a new member in our lodge on our last meeting night and received two new applications. The "flu" has been among some of our people here, but all are alive. Now, dear H. B. A. s, be careful from now on, especially the local president. Let us keep the middle man out, that is, the lawyer. We will get along better if we would take advice from some who have made a success. Knockers will never win, and winners will never knock, and you must remember this scripture, "Be Not Deceived; God is not mock, whatsoever a man sows that shall he also reap." When I look at this association and the personnels of its leaders, nothing but success lies before it. Look for a moment and see that mighty leader, who knows how to lead, plan his work and then work his plan in the person of that God called preacher, Rev. E. F. Young, general president. And when I look at that strong young man, that Paul of his day, that Nimrod, that poet Milton, that Alexander the Great, that Moses of his day, that Ezra, the mighty scribe, who handled the book and pen, that church builder, in the person of Dr. R. L. Young, general secretary. We shall never fail. So may God bless you. I am praying for you.

Yours for the H. B. A.

REV. G. C. WELLS,

LAWRENCE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the many readers and friends of the H. B. A. know that we the members of lodge No. 308 are moving along. Since we have gotten rid of some of the members we had in our lodge, we are doing nicely. There was one old rooster, use to belong to lodge No. 308, who cut his nose off to spite his face and every time he looks in the mirror he gets ashame of himself. After going to Meridian and looking in that H. B. A. Building, he discovered then that he had made a bad mistake.

MRS. M. E. CURRY, Pres.

IMPORTANT

News has reached the office that president J. E. Macon at Macon, Miss. has taken all of the December Quarter that he collected from about twenty-five members and is now in New Orleans, La. We want to urge the members to put the law on these presidents and these local treasurers, who give so much trouble. We have letters stating that a number of the treasure-holders of these local lodges are either making away with the money or will not pay it out when ordered by the lodges. The members should give such persons the "devil" and I mean that with all the word implied.

SECRETARY.

NOTICE

We have mailed out $1.50 back Death Claim from the September Board to the local presidents. $1.00 for for the December Board, making $221.00 paid in the December Board and 222.50 paid in the September Board.

R. L. Y.

NOTICE

Board No. 5 will meet in Ellisville, Miss, March 15th. Those meeting Board No. 5 will come to the town of Ellisville and inquire for Durable M. E. Church, Rev. Taylor, pastor.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 108 is still moving on among the many difficulties that have been in our lodge. We have been fortunate enough, however, to keep up with all of the doctor bills that have been presented to our lodge. We have lost one member by death. We are trying to make this year the banner year and we trust that all other lodges are doing likewise. The state has been stricken with a great epidemic, but we are glad to say that we are yet alive. The Lord has been merciful unto us. What shall we render unto him?

MRS. MATTIE NICHOLSON, Pres.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 293, are doing nicely. We highly appreciate your kindness in sending us a nice sum of $5.20. We pray God's blessings on this wonderful association.

MRS. LENA JOHNSON, Pres.

WIGGINS, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: This is to certify that we, the members of lodge No. 174, do request of you to send to James Fairly, president of lodge No. 174, $15.00 for the heirs of Handy McLeod's for taxes. Done by the orders of the lodge.

JAMES FAIRLEY, Pres.

L. D. FAIRLEY, Sec.

PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear Secretary: This comes to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 251 is getting along fine. We made one member on our last meeting night. We have not had to pay out many doctor bills.

I. V. JORDAN, Pres.

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DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: I am a real H. B. A. and mean to do good for the association when ever I can. Lodge No. 113 met on the 19th of this month with the president, Mr. C. A. Neeley and four members and called themselves renewing some old members. One of the members is about sixty-five years of age, and since that time he has had an operation and has been confined to his bed. We were attending a funeral when this was going on. The name of the person is J. H. Hull, an uncle to the president, C. A. Neeley. The persons attending the meeting were as follows: C. A. Neeley, president; M. T. Houston, vice-president; Tom and Rosia Cole.

REPORTER.

The readers of the above article will notice that we have left off the address and the name of the writer of the article, but we wish to say through the Echo to it's readers and to the H. B. A. that if the contents of this letter are true the local president of this particular lodge together with those present in the meeting should be dealt with. If this person, who was renewed is sixty-five years of age and it is generally thought that he is that old, the president and members present at that particlar meeting should be fined and suspended. Any local lodge that has from forty to sixty members on roll and will call a special meeting and attend to business of this kind with four members, impresses the public as if something is being done wrong. We are having quite a few complaints against Bro. Neeley and there is something wrong somewhere. It may be in some of the members and is could be within the management. We are going to investigate this matter and if the contents of the letter can be proven we need to put the monkey-wrench to the president. If this thing can not be proven, put the monkey-wrench to the one complaining.

R. L. Y.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of this wonderful little paper know that we, the members of lodge No. 122, are moving along nicely. We were organized six years ago and we have not had a death to occur in our lodge yet. We are all thankful, because the Lord has been good to us. We are growing very rapidly in membership, but when we do take in a member, it is a member worth while having. In the last past three months we have only taken in three members, but we are perfectly satisfied with this number. We will be very glad to hear of the completion of the building, so we can have our own H. B. A. doctor and dentist and any thing else that we need. We are looking for "good" and we have the right kind of leader to find it, Rev. E. F. Young and Rev. R. L. Young.

A. L. BROWN, Peporter.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: After reading the Echo I find that lodge No. 298 has not made a report for the December Board. Twenty six members of lodge No. 298 paid their dues and death claims to our local president, Mr. J. E. Macon. I am secretary of lodge No. 298 and I thought that we all were in good standing with the headquarters. I am also sending you the names of all the members who paid their December assessment.

JULIA McNEESE, Sec.

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R. L. Y.

NOTICE

Board No. 3 will meet at Mt. Rose, Miss., Tuesday, March 4th. Those meeting Board No. 3 will come eighteen miles South of Newton, Miss. Straight down the highway until you get to Hanking and Alexander Filling Station. After reaching the filling station turn to the left and come about three hundred yards and then you will be at the church, Mt. Mine M. E. Church.

H. A. MORGAN, Pres.

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Lodge No. 372, Rev. S. L. Expose, president, Mize, Miss.

PORTERVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me to say through the Echo that Lodge No. 96 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Sister Ella Dean. Sister Dean was a faithful member and a willing worker. We all will miss our dear Sister Dean. She leaves a husband, two daughters, one son and a host of friends to mourn her passing. F. L. KEY, Pres.

DOTS FROM CARMICHEAL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 95 is yet alive and progressing nicely. We had our first meeting in our new church at Kiyer Hill Baptist church.

Business is progressing nicely with the aid of our new pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Peters.

Mrs. J. B. Peters has been a pleasant visitor in the home of Mrs. W. M. Pringle.

On the 28th, 29th and 30th of December, a new association, The Educational Progressive Missionary Baptist Association, was organized at Kiyer Hill Baptist church. Rev. N. W. Wallace was the organizer. The staff of officers are as follows: Rev. J. B. Peters, moderator; Rev. R. B. Gardner, vice-moderator; Mr. C. M. Mayfield, secretary; Gus Esters, treasurer; Prof. Hunley, corresponding secretary; Rev. C. G. Gaines, missionary.

For the Sunday School convention: Rev. W. J. Eavens, president; Dr. H. B. Pears, vice-president; Mrs. Sallie Pringle, secretary; Rev. H. W. Hasley, treasurer; Rev. C. L. Pringle, Sunday School director.

B. Y. P. U.: Rev. S. M. Hunley, president; A. Shaw, vice-president; Mrs. Charity Shaw, treasurer.

Home Mission: Mrs. R. B. Gardner, president; Mrs. J. B. Peters, vice-president; Mrs. Beatrice Neylor, secretary; Mrs. C. L. Pringle, treasurer, and Mrs. Georgia Esters, missionary.

Ministers Union: Rev. J. M. Moore, president; Rev. Alex Diggs, vice-president; Mrs. Ada Carmbest, secretary; Mrs. Gussie Gills, treasurer.

Prof. G. M. Reese made a wonderful speech which was enjoyed by all. You must come again Prof, you are welcome at all times.

A wonderful program was rendered with the following persons appearing on the program fith Mrs. Sallie Pringle mistress of ceremonies. Rev. Pringle, Mrs. Jube Blanks, Miss Cleo Floyd, Miss Helon Parker, Rev. S. M. Hunley, Mrs. Ada Combest, Miss Annie Mae Dunn, Mrs. J. B. Peters. The program was responded to by Rev. N. W. Wallace.

Lodge No. 95 is making preparations to entertain the H. B. A. Board in the future. REPORTER.

RICHTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 66 is doing nicely. We are small in membership, but we are trying to make it to the goal. Inclosed you will find some back death claims for the December Board. My family has been down with the "flu", but we are convalescing. I ask the prayers of the readers that we might over come.

R. B. SCROGGINS, Pres.

PINOLA, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we lost one of our members, Mrs. Lizzie Weathersby. Sister Weathersby was a faithful member of lodge No. 368 and a willing worker. We are trusting that our loss will be heaven's gain.

Yours for the work.

S. L. WALKER, Pres.

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me to say a few words concerning lodge No. 330. We are still on the upward march. We have had many obstacles but with the help of the Lord we are progressing nicely. We ars asking for the September Board, for we feel that it will be of some service to us. We certainly do enjoy reading the Echo twice a month. It is highly appreciated in our lodge.

MRS. ROSA SCARBOUGH, Pres.

ELLISVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know that we have lost a faithful member from lodge No. 202 in the person of Brother Charlie Coleman. Brother Coleman was a loyal H. B. A. member and a willing worker. Lodge No. 202 will miss Brother Coleman. He is gone but not forgotten.

HENRY SPELL, Pres.

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PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know that we, the members of lodge No. 242 are doing nicely. We had our good agent, Rev. C. L. Pringle, to visit our lodge on the 22nd of this month. He brought many good things to us.

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BURIAL DEPARTMENT

The question has been asked by some of our members since our Burial Department is not operating, why not give them their money back. I wish to state that there is no money for you to get back. The Burial Department was not a money-making department. It was a fine thing, but our people did not stand by it as they should have. Therefore, we had to discontinue it. All of the money that was collected from the members for the Burial Department was paid out for that particular purpose. Now, if those of you who are asking for your money back had died in the beginning you would have gotten yours, but you did not die, and what you paid in went to pay somebody else. Now, you should not ask for your little bit back. You should thank the Lord you did not die, and what you gave went to help bury somebody else.

However, we are working out plans by which the Burial Department can be operated. We have got to work it in a way that the member will not really know that he is a member; that is, we have got to collect the money from him together with all other assessments. If we do not do that he is going to kick and howl every time the president asks him for money. The majority of the members of our race are babies. This majority can not think for itself and we must have somebody to think for this majority. Sometimes our people will not take hold of a thing that is for their own good. If it is left to their own free will and accord. Now what must we do in a case of that kind? What is the right thing to do? First, we should coax him to do, and if he will not do then, give him a dose of something to make him do it. You must make him do quite a few things through methods that are unknown to him. Some one may argue the fact that it is wrong to make a fellow do a thing, but it does not seem so to me. The other day my baby had a severe cold and the doctor said that a dose of castor oil would relieve the situation. I tried to coax him into taking it, but he would not. I said, "Take this for daddy and I will give you a nickle," and that did not work. I said, "Take it for daddy and I will get you a suit of clothes." My trick still failed to work. "Take this for daddy and I will carry you to town in the car." The castor oil was still in the spoon. I caught the little fellow by the nose, one hand on his mouth, had a friend of mine to take the spoon, and down his throat went the castor oil. He rared and scotched, but the oil was gone. He cried, but the oil was gone. The next morning the little boy was getting along fine.

R. L. Y.

QUARTERLY ASSESSMENT DUE

All presidents who are interested in their local lodges are now collecting death claims and quarterly dues for the March quarter. All members who really love the Order are doing their best to be ready for the Board. It is a bit interesting to know and hear our local presidents discuss the progress of our Order and the good will that exists among our white friends concerning the H. B. A.

Quite a few of our local presidents have stated to me that some of the white people in certain localities have informed them to see to it that all of the members pay up each quarter, and if it happens that any of our members do not have this quarterly assessment, the merchants, farmers, etc. among the white people have given orders for the presidents to come to them and collect whatever is due. As little as you may think of it, this shows that the white people look upon this organization as a real business concern. They have confidence in its leaedrship. They are satisfied that those of us who are at the head are trying to do our best to do the right thing. With this confidence established all of us should strive to be better men and women. Local presidents and members, do not betray your trust. If you desire to win the white man you must do it by honesty and fair play..

NOTICE

Board No. 3 will meet at Montrose, Miss., Tuesday, March 5th. Those meeting Board No. 3 will come eighteen miles south of Newton, Miss., straight down the highway until you reach Hanking & Alexander's filling station. Keep straight down the highway about one-half of a mile until you see a big sign board, and then you will turn to the left and come three hundred yards. The Board is to be held in the M. E. Church.

H. A. MORGAN, Pres.

NOTICE

The H. B. A. Board will meet at New Augusta, Miss., March 29th, Rev. W. T. Smith, president of No. 145. Those of you meeting Board No. 8 will inquire for Good Hope Baptist Church.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 288 are moving upward. The Rev. H. Ray preached our anniversary sermon on the 25th of November. He preached a wonderful sermon. The collection was $11.90. We have a loyal bunch of members. We took in seven new applicants. Pray that we may continue to move on and on.

C. M. MAYFIELD, Pres.

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WANTED

We are planning to open up an H. B. A. drug store in our new office building. We would like to find twenty or thirty Negro men, who have confidence in the race, who are willing to advance $50 or $100 to stock this drug store; in other words we want twenty or thirty persons to take out shares and let us experiment on this proposition. I believe it would be the finest thing in the State for the Negroes. If we can not get the men we want twenty or thirty lodges that will be willing to go into this proposition with $25, $50 or $100, and in six or twelve months you will no doubt be getting from ten to twenty per cent, and probably forty per cent interest on your money. Presidents, members, lodges, wake up. Do you not know that we need a drug store? What is $1,000 for twenty lodges or twenty men to raise? What do you say, McLeod, Rankin, Tate, Radcliff, Washington, Knight, Moody, McLemore, Pickett, Randall, Evans, Jury, Blakney, Wells, Borders, Shadwick, Ott, Knott, Pitts, Brown, Martin, Sledge, Cole, English, Blunt, Harper, Faulkner, Belt, Pringle, Page, Nicholson, Neeley, Jackson, Moore, Slay, Hayes, Davis, Price, Barnett, McCormick, Kennedy, High, Walker, Johnson, and scores of others whom we could call? Suppose if all these individuals would invest $50 or $25 it would be one of the leading steps among Mississippi Negroes. I would be glad to have a few letters from those of you who are willing to launch out and do something for your race along these lines. An H. B. A. drug store means employment for some more Negro boys and girls.

SECRETARY.

TENTATIVE

The March Boards will meet as follows:

Board No. 2 will meet at Electric Mills, Miss., Friday, March 1. Rev. Tom Davis, president.

Board No. 3 will meet Tuesday, March 5, at Montrose, Miss. H. A. Morgan, president.

Board No. 1 will meet Friday March 8th, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, five miles southeast of Meridian, Miss. D. B. Borders, president.

Board No. 4 will meet at Crandall, Miss., Wednesday, March 13. Mrs. Annie Slay, president.

Board No. 5 will meet at Ellisville, Miss., Friday, March 15. Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, president.

Board No. 6 will meet at D'Lo, Miss., Tuesday, March 19. D. H. Harper, president.

Board No. 7 will meet at Columbia, Miss., Wednesday, March 20. Jas. Rodgers, president.

Board No. 8 will meet at New Augusta, Miss., Friday, March 29. The name of the president will be given in the next issue of the Echo.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of the H. B. A. know that we the members of lodge No. 45 are doing nicely. Our doctor bill for the pass year was $385.00. On December 1, we had a clear receipt from all doctors. Our membership is about forty-five and we have some applications on flie at present.

J. M. MARTIN, Pres.

NOTICE

Board No. 5 will meet in Ellisville, Miss, March 15th. Those meeting Board No. 5 will come to the town of Ellisville and inquire for Durable M. E. Church, Rev. Taylor, pastor.

GOOD GREENS

A splendid package came to the H. B. A. office. The package was opened and bless your soul it was a box of those old-time collard greens from Bro. Bill McGowan of Lodge No. 280. Will you do that again, brother. I dreamed about greens all that night.

SECRETARY.

The following lodges failed to make a report in the December Board for dues and death claims:

Lodge No. 106, S. A. Magee, president, Collins, Miss.

Lodge No. 171, E. L. Crosby, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 227, Miles McLendon, president, Purvis, Miss.

Lodge No. 238, Jesse Jenkins, Jr., president, Pearson, Miss.

Lodge No. 250, Sam Freeman, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 283, E. L. Mays, president, Royce, Miss.

Lodge No. 295, Willie Ridgeway, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Lodge No. 298, J. E. Macon, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 305, E. W. White, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 318, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 320, T. Millender, president, Ovett, Miss.

Lodge No. 321, Rev. O. Bryant, president, Avera, Miss.

Lodge No. 322, Frank Williams, president, Hickory, Miss.

Lodge No. 325, J. C. Smith, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 327, Martha Boyd, president, Crawford, Miss.

Lodge No. 332, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 349, Frank Cole, president, Newton, Miss.

Lodge No. 350, J. L. Miller, president, Bude, Miss.

Lodge No. 356, Elizabeth Anderson, president, Gulfport, Miss.

Lodge No. 363, E. G. Robinson, president, Taylorsville, Miss.

Lodge No. 367, Rev. S. L. Fox, president, Beaumont, Miss.

THANKS FROM MRS. YOUNG TO THE LOCAL PRESIDENTS AND MANY FRIENDS

A few weeks ago, upon the recommendation of my husband, I sent letters to quite a few of our friends with five Baby Contest tickets in each letter to be sold at 10c each. Realizing the fact that my husband si spending his life for the uplift of humanity in church, society and social life, I felt that it was nothing out of place to ask for a small contribution on your part. Again I realize the fact that if any man or woman climbs the ladder he must climb by the assistance of others. No man or woman has ever reached any height without somebody's help. I feel greatly indebted to those of you who responded. I wish to state that our Baby Contest was a success. The Johnson Baby raised $12.70, Erlean Henry, $17.40, the Miller baby raised $18.90, and the Young Baby, $65.82. Total, $114.82.

The names of those who contributed are being published, as follows:

Meridian, Miss., Jan. 21, 1929.

To Mrs. R. L. Young.

Dear Madam: Yours to hand and request very carefully read. I am sorry that your request will have to be denied, upon these grounds, in that I don't believe in a woman out selling tickets begging the world this day, owing to present circumstances. (2) I don't have the time. Inclosed you will find the five tickets that you sent me.

Very respectfully yours,
MRS. F. C. COOLEY.
3818 Smith Alley, City.

Dear Mrs. Young: Enclosed you will find 50c for the Baby Contest. Tell me if she leads.

W. J. RANKIN.
No. 133, Magee, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: The receiving of the five tickets was a surprise, but a pleasant surprise, indeed. I sold them at first sight. Inclosed you will find $1.00.

M. V. B. PITTS.
No. 28, Toomsuba, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed find 50c for the Baby Contest. Wishing you a success.

MRS. ANNIE BLANKS.
No. 30, Lauderdale, Miss.

Dear Madam: Inclosed you will find $1.00 for the Baby Contest for five tickets that you sent me.

I. ENGLISH.
No. 69, Meridian, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed you will find 50c for the Baby Contest.

R. F. CLARKS.
No. 33, City.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed you will find 50c. That is the way to do, start them to working in the church when they are young.

D. H. HARPER.
No. 71, D'Lo, Miss.

Mrs. R. L. Young: Inclosed you will find 50c. Hope you will win the prize.

CLEM BROWN.
No. 92, Laurel, Miss.

Dear Madam: Inclosed you will find a post office money order for 50c. Hope you will win.

J. M. THOMPSON.
No. 23, Bassfield, Miss.

Mrs. R. L. Young: Inclosed you will find 50c for the five tickets that you sent me. Be sure to win.

JOHNNIE COLE.
No. 63, Bassfield, Miss.

Dear Madam: I am sending you 50c for your Baby Contest.

JOHN BOURDEAUX.
Members, City.

Mrs. R. L. Young: I am sending you 50c for the tickets that you sent me.

B. F. WELCH.
No. 5, Why Not, Miss.

Dear Madam: Inclosed you will find a money order for 50c. Wishing you success.

V. T. THOMPSON.
No. 49, Columbia, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: This is W. L. McDade sending 50c. No. 85, DeKalb, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed find $1.00 for the tickets sent me.

REV. M. S. KNOTT.
Lodge No. 20, Kewanee, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed find 50c. Be sure to win.

REV. R. W. RADCLIFF.
No. 3, Russell, Miss.

Dear Madam: All in bed with the "flu." Could not get out to sell the tickets. Inclosed find 50c of my own money.

Wm. BROWN.
No. 34, Daleville, Miss.

Mrs. Young: Here is your 50c. Hurry up and send for some more.

ESAU SLEDGE.
No. 53, Macon, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed find 50c for the Baby Contest.

J. L. SMITH.
No. 18, Russell, Miss.

Dear Madam: Inclosed you will find 50c for the Baby Contest.

PROF. A. T. SHADWICK.
No. 11, City.

Dear Madam: Inclosed you will find 50c for the Baby Contest.

B. BROWN.
Lodge No. 32, City.

MT. ROSE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let you and the many readers of the Echo know that we, the members of lodge No. 285, have lost one of our members, Bro. Ben Denson. Brother Denson was a faithful member until his death. The church has lost a faithful member and a willing worker. We are trusting that our loss will be heaven's gain. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his passing.

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A. friends know that we the members of Lodge No. 323 are still pressing along. We kindly ask the prayers of all. The members of Lodge No. 323 are all working in harmony with one another.

L. M. WILLIAMS, Pres.

IMPORTANT

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R. L. Y.

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DEATH

Mr. Tell Farmer, who has been the manager and owner of the Tell Farmer Printery, died Monday evening in Birmingham, Ala. Mr. Farmer has done practically all of the printing for the H. B. A. for the past fifteen or twenty years. We regret very much the death of Mr. Farmer, because he was one of the best men that we have ever dealt with.

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HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers of the many districts know that we, the members of lodge No. 270, are still alive. The "flu" has been prevalent through out the State and the Hub City, Hattiesburg, Miss., has been quarantined two weeks or more. We are yet alive to see each other face to face. We have had as many as ten or more sick members. Yet the Lord has spared us. We thank Him for his kindness. Relative to the prizes for essays, songs, poems, etc., we are glad to know that our people have a chance to be seen and heard in this grand order. Such a thought as that surpasses that of Henry Ford's, Edison's, J. C. Penny's Stores or Hoover's.

A. J. BARNETT, Pres.

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many members and friends of the H. B. A. know that we, the members of lodge No. 323, are still alive and doing nicely. We are glad to know that you are able to be up and about your work again.

REPORTER.

PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear Secretary: We the members of lodge No. 251 are still growing in membership. We ask the prayers of all the readers that we may continue to grow.

I. V. JORDAN, Pres.

PORTERVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that Mrs. R. E. Burton of Enondale, Miss., spent a few days with her sister, V. Key. Mrs. Burton reports a pleasant stay.

REPORTER.

NOTICE

Board No. 4 will meet at Crandall, Miss., March 13th. Those meeting Board No. 4 will come to the town of Crandall and then come one mile South of Crandall and inquire for Mt. Nebow A. M. E. Church. Rev. Phillips, pastor, Mrs. Annie Slay, president.

DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 112, are doing nicely. We are asking that those who are in position to do so to please give us a small amount to help paint our church. Any amount given will be kindly appreciated. Send all donations to J. C. Coleman.

Route 2, Box 27, DeKalb, Miss.

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 262 is doing nicely. Being newly organized, we are getting along nicely. We enjoy reading the Echo. On our last meeting night we took in five new applicants. We are few in membership, but we are very successful in the management of our lodge.

MOSES WALKER, Pres.
LILLE MAE COWART, Reporter

Dear Mrs. Young: At the time I received the five tickets that you sent me I was in the bed sick. I am a bit late, but I am sure you can use the 50c in church work.

J. J. JOHNSON, No. 4
Toomsuba, Miss.

Mr. W. H. Langham of Lodge No. 105 of Wiggins, Miss., spent a few hours in office Monday, February 18th of some business matters.

MAXIE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Allow me space in the Echo to let the H. B. A. members know that lodge No. 226 is doing nicely. We are keeping up with all the doctor bills that have been presented. We have been having quite a few doctor bills since the last board, but our treasure has in it today, $37.90. The president of lodge No. 219 was with us last meeting night and he made a splendid talk. Pray that we may continue to hold out to the end.

BUDFORD HATHORN, Pres.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are moving upward. We had our anniversary sermon preached on the 25th of November. We have a loyal bunch of members. We took in seven applicants. Pray that we may continue on and on.

C. M. MAYFIELD, Pres.

EASTABUCHIE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 348, are doing nicely. A good many of our members have been down with the "flu", but they all are doing nicely. We are working in harmony.

A. M. PRUITT, Pres.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 292, are getting along fine. Now and then a stranger will say to me "what about the H. B. A., Hill?" I will tell them if you are young and sound, send your application in and we will give you a round.

Yours for the H. B. A.

E. L. HILL, Pres.

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Dear Rev. Young: I am writing you concerning some old members that are to paid off in the March Board. There is one death in lodge No. 368 that is to be paid off. This claim should not be paid. This particular person was sick when she joined the lodge, and had been sick two years before joining. She was too old to comply with the law. The merchants buried her free. This claim should not be paid one cent. The president should have a good jacking up for taking in this old sick person. I think you ought to get hard with these presidents for taking in these old people. As long as you let them off they are going to slip them in. It makes our quarterly assessment heavier and for this particular reason they should stop taking in these old sick people.

REPORTER.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Reporter: I am glad that you members and presidents are realizing the fact that there are local presidents and members who are trying to rob three hundred and eighty lodges and more than ten thousand members. I may write as much as I please, but if you all do not take a stand for the right with me and the general president, the order will go down. We are going to watch this claimant.

SECRETARY.

TENTATIVE

The March Boards will meet as follows:

Board No. 2 will meet at Electric Mills, Miss., Friday, March 1. Rev. Tom Davis, president.

Board No. 3 will meet Tuesday, March 5, at Montrose, Miss. H. A. Morgan, president.

Board No. 1 will meet Friday March 8th, at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, five miles southeast of Meridian, Miss. D. B. Borders, president.

Board No. 4 will meet at Crandall, Miss., Wednesday, March 13. Mrs. Annie Slay, president.

Board No. 5 will meet at Ellisville, Miss., Friday, March 15. Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, president.

Board No. 6 will meet at D'Lo, Miss., Tuesday, March 19. D. H. Harper, president.

Board No. 7 will meet at Columbia, Miss., Wednesday, March 20. Jas. Rodgers, president.

Board No. 8 will meet at New Augusta, Miss., Friday, March 29.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members fo lodge No. 70, are doing nicely. Our membership is steadily growing, and we are all working in harmony. We have had quite a few on the sick list, but all are doing nicely.

REV. L. V. BLUNT, Pres.

PERKINSTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 377 is doing nicely. We are small in membership, but are trying to make it to the goal. We have two applications on file.

Yours for the good of the Order.

PETE BANG, Pres.

COLUMBUS, MISS.

Dear Editor: Give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 326, are doing nicely. Everybody is working in harmony with the president. Since the last board at Mt. Olive, Miss., we have taken in twenty members. We pay all just claims that are presented to the lodge. Every now and then we get a few knocks, but that's all in life. Pray that we many continue to grow in membership.

JAS. RODGES, Pres.
MRS. S. H. POWELL, Sec.

The following lodges failed to make a report in the December Board for dues and death claims:

Lodge No. 106, S. A. Magee, president, Collins, Miss.

Lodge No. 171, E. L. Crosby, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 227, Miles McLendon, president, Purvis, Miss.

Lodge No. 238, Jesse Jenkins, Jr., president, Pearson, Miss.

Lodge No. 250, Sam Freeman, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 283, E. L. Mays, president, Royce, Miss.

Lodge No. 295, Willie Ridgeway, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Lodge No. 298, J. E. Macon, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 305, E. W. White, president, Macon, Miss.

Lodge No. 318, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 320, T. Millender, president, Ovett, Miss.

Lodge No. 321, Rev. O. Bryant, president, Avera, Miss.

Lodge No. 325, J. C. Smith, president, Meridian, Miss.

Lodge No. 327, Martha Boyd, president, Crawford, Miss.

Lodge No. 332, J. J. Pickett, president, Brookhaven, Miss.

Lodge No. 349, Frank Cole, president, Newton, Miss.

Lodge No. 350, J. L. Miller, president, Bude, Miss.

Lodge No. 356, Elizabeth Anderson, president, Gulfport, Miss.

Lodge No. 363, E. G. Robinson, president, Taylorsville, Miss.

Lodge No. 367, Rev. S. L. Fox, president, Beaumont, Miss.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 45 has been very lonesome for a long time, not having any local lodges near Lambert, Miss., but I am proud to say that we have got a lodge at Crowder, Miss. Quite a few of the members from lodge No. 45 were present during the installation of the newly organized lodge at Crowder, Miss. The president of the newly organized lodge acted like he has been the president for some time. These certainly are fine people at Crowder. We want to get the September board at Lambert, Miss.

Yours for the work.

A. W. WALKER, Agt.

COLLINSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: We the members of lodge No. 125 are doing nicely. Our membership is continually growing, and I hope this year will be a year of jubilee.

R. C. COLE, Pres.

Dear Mrs. Young: I received the five tickets that you sent me, and at the time I received them I was in a little tight. I am always glad to help you. Inclosed you will find 50c.

FLOYD OTT, No. 21.
Toomsuba, Miss.

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to say something in behalf of lodge No. 287. We are yet alive and doing H. B. A. work. We are very fortunate; we haven't lost a member. My determination is to work for the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

JAMES McDONALD, Pres.

HICKORY, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I am sending you the December report. I am a bit late, but I was trying to collect from all of the members. I shall not wait any longer. If I don't have but one member to report. Please send me receipts for the September and December Board.

FRANK WILLIAMS, Pres.

WESSON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of the State know that we, the members of lodge No. 331, are doing nicely. We have been organized since April, 1927, and we thank the Lord that we have not lost a member by death. We have had some very heavy doctor bills, but thank the Lord we are paying them all off. Our bills for the past year were $172.30. We have a very loyal bunch of members.

MARY E. RANEY, Reporter.

NEW HEBRON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to say something about lodge No. 261. We are getting along nicely. We had our anniversary during the Xmas holidays, and raised a nice sum of $47.00. We keep up with all of our bills. Our treasure today has a little more than $200.00 in it. I think that is pretty good. Ha! Ha! Ha!

ASA WALKER, Pres.

NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 27, have lost one of our members, Sister Jane Warren. She was faithful until death. We are trusting that our loss will be heaven's gain. Sister Warren leaves one daughter, Mrs. Conelia Crawford, and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

MRS. LUCY DUNN, Reporter.

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MONEY TAKEN

In the September Board of last year, the president of lodge No. 31, Mr. S. B. Bell, made away with practically all of the money his lodge reported. His membership was between forty and sixty members. The collection was $1.25 plus the 50c convention tax he had not reported. I informed the membership what Mr. Bell had done and they went immediately to work on the matter. They got Mr. Bell and a committee, came to the office. He paid a part of the money and promised to pay the other in fifteen days. We then recognized all of the members as being in good standing, because they were abiding by the law, which states that any one making away with moneys must be dealt with, or carried to law if necessary. We have written Mr. Bell several times, our letters go unheeded. We must demand that the lodge prosecute Mr. Bell or we will be compelled to suspend the lodge.

R. L. Y.

LATE REPORT

The readers of the Echo will notice that president Frank Williams of Hickory, Miss., has just sent in his report. We received this report last week. I do not think that he had it in yet had it not been for the continued publishing of lodges that failed to report in the December Board. Some of the local presidents were reading the Echo and notified some of his members that he had not reported. We are going to have to deal severely with some of our local presidents for the misappropriation of funds.

BUILDING IN PROGRESS

Our new $50,000 building is progressing nicely. It is a beauty to behold. We hope to have it completed by March 20th.

NOTICE

All presidents are to send return postage, those desiring a receipt, with monies sent to the office.

R. L. Y.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1. Abell Smith, No. 77, Bettie Faulkner, president, Ellisville, Miss.

2. Green Granberry, No. 345. Wm. Randall, president, State Line, Mis.

3. Joe McNair, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president ,Magee, Mis.

4. Mary Heard, No. 127. Carrie Jury, president, Shubuta, Mis.

5. Mary Alexander, No. 102. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Mis.

6. Walter Davis, No. 72. D. H. Watson, president, Meridian, Mis.

7. Rosie Warren, No. 190. Rev. Jas. Mitchell, president, Waynesboro, Mis.

8. Allis Whigham, No. 178. E. M. Dunn, president, Hiwanee, Mis.

9. Lucile Harvey, No. 82. Thos. Blakney, president, Quitman, Miss.

10. Bruce Clayton, No. 42. Vinia Clayton, president, Lauderdale, Mis.

11. Emma Horn, No. 112. J. C. Colman, president, DeKalb, Miss.

12. Lizzie Cameron, No. 28. M. V. B. Pitts, president, Toomsuba, Mis.

13. C. U. Dent, No. 299. Esau Sledge, president, Macon, Mis.

14. Mary Chatman, No. 132. G. W. Knight, president, Summerland, Miss.

15. Frank Heard, No. 290. L. Bonner, president, Vossburg, Miss.

16. Stephen Blakney, No. 82. Thos. Blakney, president, Brooksville, Miss.

17. Henry Sams, No. 185. Walter Tate, president, Brooksville, Miss.

18. I. M. Pringle, No. 45. J. M. Martin, president, Lambert, Miss.

19. Amanda Hartfield, No. 375. P. M. Reeves, president, McLain, Miss.

20. Emma McFarlem, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president, McGee, Miss.

21. Timy Ward, No. 258. George Loving, president, Arm, Miss.

22. Julisa Ball, No. 160. Dr. W. J. Tate, president, Prentiss, Miss.

23. Matt Thomas, No. 2. J. F. Chapel, president, Meridian, Increase.

24. Lizzie Weatherby, No. 368. S. L. Walker, president, Pinola, Miss.

25. Rev. J. W. Jordan, No. 4. J. J. Johnson, president, Toomsuba, Miss.

26. G. C. Brown, No. 102. Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

27. Lula Walker, No. 368. S. L. Walker, president, Pinola, Miss.

28. Oliver Moffett, No. 165. Prof. H. J. Greene, president, Laurel, Miss.

29. Lula Jones, No. 21. Floyd Ott, president, Toomsuba, Miss.

30. Martha Mosley, No. 30. Annie Blanks, President, Lauderdale, Miss.

31. Arista Carner, No. 127. Carrie Jury, president, Shubuta, Miss.

32. Addie Price, No. 280. Bill McGowan, president, Quitman, Miss.

SUMRALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 115, are yet alive. The Lord has been good to us. We haven't had but one death since the organization of lodge No. 115. It is a blessing to be blessed. May the Lord bless Revs. R. L. and E. F. Young.

REV. A. L. SMITH, Pres.

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BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: It might be news to the public to know that Prof. J. J. Pickett will not be engaged in the school room another year. He declined to be elected as principal of the Friendship Industrial Training School because his other lines of work have become too heavy. The above named school was built by the energetic services of Prof. J. J. Pickett. He served as principal with his industrious wife, Mrs. Mary Pickett, by his side for twelve years. In order that he might serve his people, and that the school might continue to grow through him, the people have elected him superintendent. He is also to solicit financial aid for the school as he goes about, and to see that the school continues to grow. He will devote his time principally to the life insurance work and setting up H. B. A. lodges. Mrs. Mary Pickett, his wife, will probably go into merchandising business. Let us all wish them much success.

REPORTER.

FOUR SUCCESSFUL BOARDS HELD

We have just closed four splendid H. B. A. Boards. We were at Electric Mills on the first, and my! my! Mr. Tom Davis was not there, but the other H. B. A.'s took charge of the situation.

We had a big time at Montrose, but we had a hard time reaching the place on account of bad roads. Those Morgans pulled it off strong.

Everything went well at Pleasant Hill on the 8th. D. B. Borders and his good people just will not quit.

Things went bad at Crandall on the 13th on account of bad roads. It took us seven hours to go about 45 miles. But when we did get there we had things our way. Be sweet, crandall. Call for the Board again in June when it is hot and dry!

NO MORE BOARDS TO BE HELD THIS MONTH

Dear Presidents:

The General President has ordered me to notify all presidents that we will hold no more Boards this quarter. All presidents are requested to send all reports to the office at once. There is so much rain, so many bridges being washed out and so much high water that it is impossible for us to get to the Boards under such conditions. We started to the Ellisville Board and we could see nothing but high water for three quarters of a mile. It took us seven hours to go to the Crandall Board when we should have gone there in one and one-half hours. It took us about five hours to go to the Montrose Board when we should have gone there in one hour and a half, besides being exposed to the bad weather conditions. We have to hire teams to pull us out of the mud two or three times a day, besides the damage done to our cars. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

R. L. YOUNG.

VANCE, MISS.

Dear Editor: I have known Holbrook Benevolent Lodge No. 45 since its establishment. I heartily support it, and think it is one of the very best organizations for your people. I recommend to all colored people to join the benevolent lodge in preference to any other lodge or cheap insurance. It pays more for the money you put into it. It takes care of you when you are sick and need assistance most.

Respectfully,

DR. W. A. PRINCE (White)

Editor's Note—Do you hear what our white friends have to say about our Order? If the Negro wants to do, the white people will help him. Thank you doctor.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow Lodge No. 121 a space in The Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing nicely. We are all working in peace and harmony. We are still taking in new members. I want to say to the many readers of The Echo to just watch No. 121.

REV. J. H. HINTON, Pres.
M. E. BUTLER, Secretary.

BUCATUNNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of Lodge No. 214 are doing nicely. We are not very large in membership but we are doing H. B. A. work. We ask the prayers of all true H. B. A. members. We are praying that the Lord will bless our dear president and secretary.

J. L. STORY, Pres.

DeSOTO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me to say through The Echo that Lodge No. 151 is still moving along nicely. We have had quite a few knockers of the Order, but we are holding them on the outside, and letting the lodge move on. We took in on last meeting night, one renewal and two transfers. Brother D. Hough and Sister F. McGlothan have been very sick, but they are doing nicely, thanks to the Lord.

REPORTER.

BATTLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: We the members of Lodge No. 75 are doing nicely in our local lodge. On out last meeting night we made three new members and took in one renewal. There are quite a few who want to become members of our lodge, but they failed to comply with the law, therefore they will have to stay on the outside. We are for the right thing and that only. R. W. WHITE,

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EX-SLAVE IS BURIED IN COFFIN HE BUILT FOR SELF LONG AGO

Prentiss, Miss., Feb. 21.—With a coffin built ten years ago ready to receive his aged frame, Ross Ducksworth, 74, an old-time Negro, died at his home here after a brief illness.

"Uncle Ross," as he was known to his hundreds of friends, both white and black, was born a slave and he continued to faithfully serve his "white folks" long after the Civil War had made him free.

Ross, a cobbler by trade, was one of the few Negroes who took the course for illiterates at the local Negro College. He learned to read and write after he was 60 years old. His wife has been dead for many years. Together they raised a large family.

In order that he might be buried with as little trouble as possible, had made his own coffin. Friends who assisted in preparing his body for burial found it under his bed.

Mr. Duckworth was one of the fifth students of the Institute. He entered the fifth grade. He lived on the campus in a house to himself for the past twenty years and loved the school. He in turn was loved and respected by us all. The above account of his death is taken from a leading white paper.—Hattiesburg American.

Editor's Note—I do not know just how long this person has been a member of the H. B. A.; however, I do know that the lodge is not more than eight years old, and hardly that. I organized this lodge, and on that night every person declared he was not more than 60 years of age. Now, the people in this community knew this old gentleman better than I did. When we get his policy we will see when he joined.

Watch out, boys, we are going to have to rub somebody in these Boards. Be sure your sins will find you out.

CRANDALL DOTS

Dear Editor: Things are moving along nicely. There has been quite a bit of sickness and a few deaths among the people here in Crandall.

The many friends of Mrs. C. Smith will be glad to know that after two months of sickness, she is up doing nicely. Mrs. Eliza Brown of Bessemer, Ala., was by her bedside for six weeks. Mrs. Mary E. Griffin of Laurel, Miss., was by her bedside for two weeks. The special care these two daughters gave their dear mother is commendable. Mrs. Smith is with her daughter, Mrs. Bettie E. Donald, at present.

Sisters Mary Parker, Ann Adams, Nora A. McLendon and Nancy Jones are on the sick list, but are improving nicely. Prof. Donald recommends plenty of fever grass and horse mint teas, used in unlimited quantities. By using the above teas it will help save the treasurer.

On last Tuesday night we had a nice attendance at our regular lodge meeting. When the members of Lodge No. 123 get together they are as happy as a bunch of school children.

Mr. and Mrs. Slay have proven themselves to be efficient leaders.

Mrs. Mary Roberts of Mobile, Ala., was up to pay her mother and father a visit.

BOOSTER.

OAKVALE, MISS.

Dear Secretary: Lodge No. 309 is in a bad condition. You had better be on the watch: they are taking in members who are too old.

REPORTER.

BOND, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many H. B. A.'s know that Lodge No. 198 is getting along nicely. We are not making a lot of noise, but we are on the job. In the last Board we made a round report. All of the members of Lodge No. 198 are doing nicely. We are all in peace, love and harmony. We have had quite a bit of sickness in our lodge, but everybody is on the mend. We have paid all doctor bills. We have in our treasury $137.83. The Lord has been good to us, whereof we are glad.

Yours for the upbuilding of the Order,

J. M. HALL.

DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many readers know that we have lost a faithful member in the person of Sister Cornelia Edwards. Sister Edwards was a faithful member in Lodge No. 112. The lodge will miss her. The funeral was attended by her pastor, Rev. A. L. Bohanan. She leaves a mother, husband, one child, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing. We are trusting that our loss will be heaven's gain.

L. W. ROWE, Reporter.

Dear Rev. Young: I am getting along nicely in my lodge work. We are having a great deal of sickness in our lodge and some mighty big doctor bills to pay, but by the help of the Lord we are able to pay them. I hope you and your family are well. Pray that we may succeed in our work.

BUFORD HATHORN, Pres.
Maxie, Miss.

STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of Lodge No. 356 are doing nicely. Pray that we might continue to hold out to the end.

REPORTER.

DISTRICTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4

Lodges reported the following amounts for dues, death claims, etc., in the March Board:

No.—	Amt.	Back.
30	$94.85	
31	44.85	
39	69.85	
40	42.35	
42	39.85	
45	52.35	
50	31.10	
53	37.35	
54	13.60	
56	28.60	
64	74.85	
79	29.85	
85	73.60	
93	69.85	
95	49.85	
96	59.85	$2.50
98	17.35	
100	7.35	
112	43.60	
113	67.35	
114	54.85	
122	28.60	
136	19.85	
146	39.85	
157	34.85	
161	26.10	
176	34.85	
185	89.85	
206	9.85	
233	23.60	
257	38.60	4.05
267	29.85	
285	36.10	
286	33.60	1.35
292	14.85	
298	18.60	
299	17.35	
300	8.60	
308	22.35	
311	7.35	
316	29.85	
317	11.10	
322	7.35	
1	28.60	
2	54.60	
3	44.85	
4	58.60	
5	28.60	
8	11.10	
9	59.85	
11	47.35	
18	13.60	
19	26.10	
20	46.10	
21	59.85	
22	37.35	
25	33.60	
27	37.35	
28	96.10	1.80
32	31.10	
33	58.60	
44	11.10	
47	31.10	
60	13.60	
67	46.10	1.65
69	49.85	
61	14.85	
70	63.60	
72	63.60	
72	63.60	
72	57.35	
84	16.10	
110	36.10	
111	6.10	
121	29.85	
125	53.60	
135	14.85	
139	37.35	
141	32.35	
147	9.85	
192	21.10	
236	16.10	
253	64.85	
259	26.10	
289	12.50	
314	13.60	
334	10.95	
360	14.85	
303	26.10	
264	19.85	
224	57.55	
239	72.10	
80	53.60	
193	32.35	
229	14.85	
199	26.10	
210	11.10	
234	7.35	
278	29.85	
178	13.60	1.85
151	48.60	
369	16.35	
275	8.60	2.70
127	133.75	
123	98.60	
130	58.60	
196	52.30	
119	89.85	
82	101.10	
280	13.60	
95	67.35	
153	53.70	

BASSFIELD, MISS

Please give me space in The Echo to let the readers of The Echo know that we have lost one of our good members. Sister Frances Mikel of Lodge No. 23 was faithful until the Lord called her to come upon high. The lodge will miss Sister Mikel. The church has lost a faithful servant. The community has lost a loving friend. She was loved by all who knew her. Sleep on and on, Sister Mikel, some day we will meet again where there will be no parting—nothing but joy and happiness.

J. M. THOMPSON,
President.

MEEHAN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me space to say a few words through The Echo. We the members of Lodge No. 340 are doing nicely. Father and I were at the H. B. A. office a few days ago and are glad to report a pleasant stay. Rev. R. L. Young was very busy and did not have much time to take up with us. However, we enjoyed the time we were in the H. B. A. office. We also went through the new office building. Our anniversary sermon will be on Easter Sunday. Come one and all to the place where you are always welcome. A splendid program will be rendered.

MISS EMMA LONGMIRE,
Reporter.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many readers of the State know that we the members of Lodge No. 232 lost one of our faithful members in the person of Brother James Cohen. Brother Cohen was faithful until his death. The lodge has lost a faithful member and a willing worker. Every one loved him who knew him. We are trusting that our loss will be heaven's gain.

REPORTER,
Lodge No. 232.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1. Abell Smith, No. 77, Bettie Faulkner, president, Ellisville, Miss.

2. Green Granberry, No. 345. Wm. Randall, president, State Line, Mis.

3. Joe McNair, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president ,Magee, Mis.

5. Mary Alexander, No. 102. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Mis.

7. Rosie Warren, No. 190. Rev. Jas. Mitchell, president, Waynesboro, Mis.

14. Mary Chatman, No. 132. G. W. Knight, president, Summerland, Miss.

15. Frank Heard, No. 290. L. Bonner, president, Vossburg, Miss.

17. Henry Sams, No. 185. Walter Tate, president, Brooksville, Miss.

19. Amanda Hartfield, No. 375. P. M. Reeves, president, McLain, Miss.

20. Emma McFarlem, No. 133. W. J. Rankin, president, McGee, Miss.

21. Timy Ward, No. 258. George Loving, president, Arm, Miss.

22. Julisa Ball, No. 160. Dr. W. J. Tate, president, Prentiss, Miss.

24. Lizzie Weatherby, No. 368. S. L. Walker, president, Pinola, Miss.

26. G. C. Brown, No. 102. Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

27. Lula Walker, No. 368. S. L. Walker, president, Pinola, Miss.

28. Oliver Moffett, No. 165. Prof. H. J. Greene, president, Laurel, Miss.

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MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in The Echo to let the many readers of the State know that we the members of Lodge No. 253 are doing nicely in our lodge. We have quite a few doctor bills on hand, but we are going to pay every one. All of the members are working in harmony with one another. Pray that we may continue to grow.

E. F. YOUNG, Jr., Pres.,
Reporter.

PLAUSIBLE ALIBI

Judge—"Your wife tells me you are three months behind with your alimony. How about it?"

Mose—"I reckon you is right, judge. Y'see, judge, mah second wife ain't turned out to be near as good a worker as I expected. Dat's a reason I is behind, judge."

STATUS QUO

"Bredern, we must do something to remedy de Status Quo," said a Negro preacher to his congregation.

"Brudder Jones, what am de Status Quo?" asked a member.

"Dat, my brudder," said the preacher, "am Latin for de mess we is in."

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IMPORTANT TO PRESIDENTS

Dear Presidents: The Official Staff of the Meridian Star, which is one of the best daily papers of the State of Mississippi, has just gotten out a Good Will Edition. In this edition the colored people have had extended to them one of the best opportunities that we have ever had.

I have read other Good Will Editions from other States, but it had not been my privilege to read any edition where such kindness, liberality and generousity were exhibited by the white people. Six pages of this edition were given to the colored people. Never in the history of "Dear Old Dixie" have I read such splendid things in a white paper. The negro homes, the professional and business men, the ministers and all professional enterprises by Negroes are in this edition. The whole edition is composed of more than one hundred and twenty pages.

I asked the Official Staff of the Meridian Star if they would print three thousand extra copies for the Holbrook Benevolent Association. They kindly consented to do so, provided, however, we would sell these copies, in short, they must have their money. I shall preserve a copy for my children, grand-children and great-grand children to read. I would not be without a copy of this Good Will Edition for $100.00 in cash. We want every family of the Organization to get a copy. We are going to sell them for 10c a copy. I want the presidents to send for them at once before they are all gone. I will sell them to the presidents for 7c each and I will defray the expences. The presidents will be admitted to keep 3c on each copy to assist him for defraying his expenses for selling, etc.

Don't miss this edition. The picture of the new Building is in it. We thank the Officials of the Meridian Star for this big-hearted deed done for the Negro race.

FROM THE GENERAL PRESIDENT

To the Presidents and Members:

We were able to hold four Boards and four we were not able to hold on the account of high water, etc. We have received some letters to the effect, that it was a good thing that happened. I wish to say that there will come a time when we cannot hold Boards, but the time is not yet right. There is a certain contact that must be had, with reference to our people by our leaders. Since the people of these different communities have not really been trained, they are not able to lead our folks to higher heights and it is going to take the strong leaders of the race visiting these communities and lifting them up. For instance, allow me to point to you a concrete example. The H. B. A. existed in Hattiesburg, Bassfield, Magee, Macon and scores of other places, but the local presidents and the leaders in these communities were not able to gain the folks, but when we went there a time or two with the Boards and Convention, and the folks heard us talk, they came home. Now, since some of these communities have gotten fat off of our coming, they want to cut out the Boards. That will be done some day, but the time is not yet right for it. As General President, I am asking every president to collect 25c from each member and report same at the Convention on our Building. I put the proposition before the four boards that we meet and they kindly accepted with cheers. Not one opposed. I am sorry that we could not hold the other Boards in order that I could impress this matter upon your minds. We shall be compelled to collect an extra 25c for the Convention. Brethern, please do not come up to the convention asking for one days' grace for any member. They are getting our hide up here and we must get 25c in July, or asking you to give us your hide.

Thanking you for your past support and looking forward to your future support, I am yours for the cause.

E. F. YOUNG, Gen. Pres.

MONTROSE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 333, are doing nicely. We made one new member before the Board at Mt. Rose, Miss., and have an application on file. Pray that we may continue to grow.

ALBERT WILSON, Pres.

PRENTISS, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I take great pleasure in writing you in regards of lodge No. 62. Mr. John Holiway is president, and I am the Secretary. I am unfinancially at present, but I will try to get my $1.25, for Dues and Death claim into the office before the next quarter. Yours as ever.

C. H. WATTS.

DEERBROOK, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to say a few words concerning the death of Brother Henry Skinner. Brother Skinner was a faithful member of lodge No. 317. The lodge has lost a faithful member and a willing worker. We will miss Brother Skinner. His seat will be vacant. No one can fill his place. He leaves a darling wife, eight children and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

ISAAC MOORE, Pres.

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EDITORIAL

Our building is nearing completion. It is a beauty to behold, a real race project. This building is being supported and paid for by some of the most loyal members of our race. When one looks upon this magnificent structure and think of the fact that the "Big Majority" of the supporters of this organization, are the people who are not considered as being "Big Folks", but they are rather considered as "Little Folks". Being the editor I wish to remind all concerned that there are no bigger nor better folks in our race than the supporters of this organization. I have long since come to the conclusion that what this race is suffering for is leadership. With E. F. Young at the head of this organization and R. L. Young, his son, by his side we have been able to convince this country that the Negroes are doing big things and are supporting big things. If they have got the right kind of leadership. With the two named persons working together we can take the folks and do anything we desire. Where ever we go along, we leave our mark and I am praying that God will bring up leaders to take our places when we are gone. "Onward, Christian Soldiers; marching as to War; with the Cross of Jesus; going on before; Christ the Royal Master, leads against the Foe; forward into battle, see His Banner Go."

LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Mrs. Young: Inclosed you will find fifty cents for the Baby Contest. I was out of the city at the time you mailed me the tickets, however, I am sure you can still use the 50c in your church.

MRS. ELLA MORRELL, No. 76

DESOTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 153, have lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Mr. Eddie Stokes. He was a well known citizen of Desota and was loved by all who knew him. Our lodge has lost a willing worker. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, two daughters, two brothers, four sisters and a host of relatives and friends. We are praying that our loss will be heaven's gain.

W. A. PICKETT, Pres.

CRANDALL, MISS.

An Address to the Local Lodge

Brothers and Sisters: The Lord only knows how glad I am to meet you this evening, the beginning of a new year's work. Last year was a joyful and prosperous one. I feel to glad to thank one and all for your undivided attention and support in our work. Much has been said in praise of the work of our lodge and had it not been for your assistance it could not have been said. May the Lord crown your pathway with the sweetest of blessings. I am asking, in the beginning of this year, you to double your resolutions and co-operate with me in our work that we are doing in this town of Crandall. Let us co-operate in our churches, schools and social works, and better our conditions. The Lord demands all of these good qualities of us. Let us double our membership this year. Each old member bring a new one to the lodge. It is a great pleasure for me to meet my payments and think that when I shall have to go home to meet my Lord, my husband will receive a nice sum to help him in his old days, after working to school our children, who have been the joy of our home.

MRS. ANNIE SLAY, Pres.

PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 251 is doing nicely. We are still taking in new members. The people in this section of the State are waking up to the fact, that the H. B. A. is really the "Poor Man's Friend."

We are asking the help of each and every member of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. We are working to raise money to paint our church. Any amount given will be highly appreciated. Send all donations to Mrs. Millie Jordan, Rt. 1, Box 16, Pachuta, Miss.

COLUMBIA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing nicely. We regret very much that you all could not hold the Board here on the 20th of this month. We want you and the many other presidents to know that we want the June Board. By giving us the June Board it will help our lodge. A good number of members were getting ready to meet the Board and join in the Board. If you all will give us the June Board, I am sure that you will not only do our lodge good, but the general body as well. Pray that we might continue to grow.

JAS. RODGES, Pres.

BUCCATURNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 209, are small in membership, but we are trying to do real H. B. A. work. Pray that we might continue to hold out and never get slack. There are some pure H. B. A. 's in this little society who are willing to do their best in every respect for a bigger and better H. B. A.

Yours for the work.

PRINCE HAYES, Pres.

District 5-6-8

Lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims, etc:

No.—	Amt.	Back.
23	$104.85	
55	44.85	
62	7.50	
49	28.60	
52	49.85	
57	134.85	
62	7.50	
63	24.85	
65	4.85	
71	54.85	
69	77.35	
74	26.10	
75	33.60	
76	23.60	
77	38.60	
82	101.10	
92	93.60	
95	67.35	
99	27.35	
109	18.60	
115	37.10	
118	58.60	
119	89.85	
123	98.60	
127	133.65	
130	58.60	2.70
131	37.35	
132	37.35	
145	103.60	
148	34.85	
151	48.60	
152	26.10	
153	51.35	1.35
158	1.25	
159	16.10	
160	77.35	
163	20.05	
165	44.85	
166	23.60	
168	6.25	
178	13.60	1.85
179	44.85	4.05
181	58.60	
190	102.35	
194	67.35	
195	57.35	
196	51.35	
202	12.35	
207	38.60	
210	11.10	
213	71.10	
214	8.60	
215	33.60	
218	23.60	
221	29.85	
222	29.85	
228	19.85	
230	37.35	
234	7.35	
242	36.10	
247	21.10	
249	48.60	
251	29.85	
256	23.60	4.05
258	22.35	
260	18.60	1.25
261	93.60	
263	31.10	
269	34.85	
272	4.85	
275	8.60	
278	29.85	
279	11.10	
280	13.60	
281	17.35	
287	33.60	
290	47.35	
319	22.35	
331	27.35	
343	33.60	
345	34.85	
347	32.35	
351	11.10	
355	16.10	
362	17.35	
369	14.85	
368	61.10	
337	29.85	
384	12.35	

If in the event, it is found that any of the receipts that have been issued to the local presidents, for Dues and Death Claim, fail to tally with the amounts published in this issue of the Echo, please notify the office, and we shall gladly correct same.

R. L. Y.

COLLINS, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we have lost a dear friend in the person of Sister Nancy Crosby. Sister Crosby was a faithful christian. We all will miss her. She leaves a loving husband, six daughters, three boys and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

REPORTER.

The following named persons are authorized agents for the Holbrook Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi:

Rev. H. Ray, Desota, Miss.; Rev. L. A. Lindsay, Pachuta, Miss.; A. J. Barnett, Hattiesburg, Miss.; A. M. Walker, Lambert, Miss.; Rev. A. L. Thomas, Maxie, Miss.; Rev. C. L. Pringle, Carmicheal, Miss.: R. W. Young, Meridian, Miss.; J. G. Gulley, Enondale, Miss.

LEAKESVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 344, are doing nicely. We are not very large in membership, but thanks to the Lord we are moving on.

J. H. BONEY, Pres.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 253, are doing nicely. We are growing in membership by leaps and bounds.

REPORTER.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we have been getting along nicely. We have had a lot of sickness this year. We are asking the prayers of all true H. B. A.s.

LEALER BARNES, Reporter.
Secretary, Lodge No. 304.

They say the world is round—and yet
I often think it square,
So many little hurts we get
From corners here and there.

But there's one truth in life I've found
While journeying east and west,
The only folks we really wound
Are those we love the best.

We flatter those we scarcely know,
We please the fleeting guest,
And deal full many a thoughtless blow
To those we love the best.

In London they were discussing advertisinz. "Great stuff, these electric signs on Broadway," said the Yankee. "They've got one advertising Wrigley's gum, runs a whole block, 250,000 electric bulbs."

"How many?" cried the astonished Londoner.

"250,000," answered the Yankee.

The Londoner observed, "But I say, old chap, isn't that a bit conspicuous?"

A FRIEND INDEED

A man once caught his servant rummaging through his cupboard, and appropriating small objects of value. Not wishing to lose so good a servant but desiring, at the same time, to have him punished, he instructed the servant to go to the sheriff with a note which read:

"Kindly give the bearer twenty lashes across the back."

The servant soon returned looking as happy as ever.

"Did you take the note to the sheriff?" his bewildered employer asked.

"I had to go some place else," the servant responded. "Fortunately I met a good friend—a very reliable fellow—who obliged me by delivering the note for me."

AND NOW FOR AN ODDFELLOW AND PLUMBER

A man who went to register just before election was asked his trade. "Mason and builder," he replied. The next man in line was an Irishman. When the question was put to him he said: "Knight o' Colum but an' bricklayer."

Woman (to new clerk in seed store)—"Please let me have a pound package of bird-seed."

Clerk—"Ah, you can't kid me, birds are hatched from eggs."

READY TO HELP

Hub—"I met Hawkins on the street today and the poor chap was very gloomy—told me he was perfectly willing to die."

Wife—"Oh, Tom, why didn't you ask him here to dinner?"

WHY SO EARLY?

A New York state farmer engaged the services of a wanderer who one night applied to him for a night's lodging and something to eat. All went satisfactorily for a week or so, and then the farmer routed out the newly man about 3:30 one morning.

"What's up, boss?" queried the hobo, drowsily rubbing his eyes.

"Time to get up and go to work."

"What's the big idea?"

"We're goin' to reap."

"Reap what?"

"Oats."

"Are they wild oats?"

"Wild oats? Of course not. Why?"

"Well, if they ain't wild oats, why do you have to sneak up on 'em like this in the dark?"

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H. B. A. CONVENTION

A large number of our local presidents and friends are earnestly urging and requesting that since Rev. A. L. Orange was to entertain the convention and since he has passed away, and since we have constructed such a wonderful building, which is the ideal among the Negroes of Mississippi that the next convention be held in Meridian. My! my! what a wonderful thought and suggestion. We do not mean to come to Meridian against the wills of our local presidents and members, and yet the convention should be held in Meridian in order to give our folks a chance to see the only structure of its kind in the State of Mississippi for Negroes. All presidents who favor coming to Meridian will drop me a card asying, "I vote for Meridian." Those favor going to Waynesboro may write that "I vote for Waynesboro." We will publish all names and the way you vote.

—SECRETARY.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

I would advise all members to get copys of the Echo and read them, and ask your presidents for the receipts for the Dues and Death Claims that they reported in the March Board. Some of the presidents made very small reports this quarter and some have written me and asked that I take care of them as they are going to send in their reports soon. Some of the presidents have collected from their members, but have not reported same to the office.

R. L. Y.

UNITY

"Together we stand; divided we fall." This is true in all instances, especially in our churches, schools, societies and in secret orders. When a number of persons are working together in unity, they accomplish more than they would if they had been working as individuals. The H. B. A. members recognize this principle and are ever ready to cooperate with their presidents, in order to put the program over. The H. B. A. brings unity, harmony and love to a community, which means better people, better churches, then we have a community worth while living in. The H. B. A. takes care of its members. It serves as a friend to the poor man. It pays your doctor bills when you are sick and bury you when you are dead. Many a person has died a pauper, not ever able to bury himself. I say join the H. B. A. and let it serve you as a friend. Christ worked in unity and as weak as we are as a race, why not work in unity? No person has ever attained success without help. We first must get unity with God. To the H. B. A. members, you get in unity with God and your lodges and help make it a success. All you need is a start. No race has ever won, no song ever sung, no success in life is ever made without love and unity.

MRS. LAURA E. HARPER.

BRAXTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me four copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star.

J. L. WEATHERSBY, Pres.

BOND, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space to say that we, the members of lodge No. 198, are doing nicely. We are surrounded by light. God is the light, and where his light shines, there is no darkness; there is no confusion. As man depends upon the light of God, his thoughts are illuminal and his way is made clear before him. You can always depend on God's light. It is never cloudy. We are glad that God has chosen Revs. E. F. Young and R. L. Young to walk in the light. We ought to be thankful for our leaders. God needs each one of us to prefect his kingdom among men. May the Lord bless us as we go about our daily task.

J. M. HALL, Pres.

DOTS FROM CRANDALL, MISS.

Welcome!

President, Officers, Members and friends of the Holbrook Benevolent Association: I wish to extend to you a cordial welcome for the order you represent. The outcast, downtrodden, rich and the poor are being administered to alike. In the H. B. A. there is no respecter person. Therefore, equal justice to all and special favors to none. We welcome you on the part of efficiency. In various walks of life our people are suffering for efficient leaders, especially so in the rural districts. Our schools, our churches, orders and all the departments of industry are calling for efficiency. Our people welcome your coming with cheers and made preparation for you.

MRS. M. O. CAMPBELL.

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Meridian, Miss.,

Just read your letter of appreciation in Sunday's Star. I decided to compliment you on your well written letter. I am on the Meridian highway and I am writing you this letter. I belong to the white race and you to the colored race, but that certainly does not obstruct my view that the colored race is progressing wonderfully. We are all of one father and in the end will stand before Him regardless of creed and race. God is no respecter of person, and I will not place myself above God. I am proud of the splendid progress that the colored race has made. Your letter is well written and your language is excellent, denoting a splendid education and a depth of feeling possessed only by one who knows of a close walk with God.

I am personally favorable to the wonderful cause Dr. Shaw is doing at Haven Teachers College. When a man is educated and is a christian gentleman, he is an asset to any community. I request your prayers for myself when you pray for others. You have my very best wishes and sympathy in your efforts to promote the Kingdom of God. Always remember that your white friends highly endorse your efforts to advance the race to which you belong. I will be glad to hear from you and your progress at any time, I am,

Very sincerely—

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above letter was written by a white gentleman of whom I do not know personally, however, it may be that I have met him several times and he probably knows me. After reading his letter, I stopped and meditated. I asked God to help me to know myself; help me to control myself; help me to respect myself so that I may better respect others with whom I come in contact. The writer of the above letter, whose name I have withheld because I did not know as to whether it would meet his approval to publish his name, has helped me wonderfully.

It has always been my firm conviction that the Southern white man is the Negro's friend and though I have heard big speeches from Northerners from both races trying to prove that the Southern white man is not our friend. I am still voting for the Southern white man. In the language of my father "The Devil is mighty, but God is almighty." The Northern white man is mighty, but to us the Southern white man is almighty. He can do for us whatever he will, and much more would have been done but the Negro race in the South has had the lack of real true leadership among our own color. God bless the writer of the above letter, and may I ask of him and all of the white people, their sincere prayers, for the interest for my race and people. My appeal to the Negro is to be fair and honest in all of your dealings. Stop paying attention to the Northern propaganda and the many other problems that are often discussed that do not help us one bit, but do as Bucker T Washington did, "Let down your buckets where you are." My father and I are going to let down our buckets in Mississippi, that the whole Southland will bow too, when we are sleeping in our graves.

NOTICE

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R. L. Y.

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DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the readers know that we have lost a faithful member, in the person of Brother John Cole. Bro. Cole was a faithful member and a willing worker. The lodge will miss Brother Cole. His seat will be vacant. No man can fill it for him. We are trusting that our loss is heaven's gain.

J. C. COLEMAN, Pres.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many members and friends know we have another lodge at Lambert, Miss. You stated in your letter sometime ago, that if I would organize a certain number of lodges here in this section you would give us the September Board. I have organized four lodges here and we are expecting the September Board without fail.

A. M. WALKER, Agent.

The following lodges failed to report Dues and Death Claims for the March Board:

Lodge No. 66; R. B. Scroggins, president, Richton, Miss.

Lodge No. 103; A. Evans, president, Sandersville, Miss.

Lodge No. 106; Mrs. S. A. Magee, president, Collins, Miss.

Lodge No. 171; E. L. Crosby, president, Wiggins, Miss.

Lodge No. 177; J. D. Pace, president, Shubuta, Miss.

Lodge No. 197; John Price, president, Oakvale, Miss.

Lodge No. 240; H. Barnett, president, Gulfport, Miss.

Lodge No. 294; B. H. Seals, president, Richton, Miss.

Lodge No. 342; A. G. Garner, president, New Hebron, iMss.

Lodge No. 257; George Yates, president, Saucier, Miss.

Lodge No. 378; Willie Pickett, president, Waynesboro, Miss.

Lodge No. 374; Rev. J. R. Jones, president, Poplarville, Miss.

Lodge No. 382; E. W. Fairley, president, Maxie, Miss.

Lodge No. 386; Rev. H. P. Clark, president, Crowder, Miss.

Lodge No. 231; Joe Knox, president, Hattiesburg, Miss.

QUITMAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 82, are doing nicely. We met in our regular monthly session for the election of officers Thos. Blakney has been president ever since the setting up of this lodge here. During the administration of Prof. Blakney, we have had fourteen deaths, and they all have been in good standing with the General Body and local lodge. There was a little opposition as to his being re-elected, but after the votes were counted he was re-elected. Edgar Shumate was elected as Vice-President, Amos L. Blakney, secretary and Manday Jasper, treasurer. We paid out $38.50 for doctor bills. We added two new members to our roll.

ANNIE L. BLAKNEY, Sec.

MOUND BAYOU, MISS.

There is one high spot in Mississippi's civilization and that is Mound Bayou. There we find a community of 5,000 Negroes, 1,000 of whom are inside the city limits, and to our delight we are informed that for two years there has not been a single occupant in their jail, nor a homicide in their community for four years.

They have now decided to do away with the jail because of the fact it is not needed.

This example of Negro self-government should silence the critics of the group, and even those among us who continually decry Negroes and their ability to govern themselves.

If Mississippi—white Mississippi—is ever in doubt about the Negroes self-respect he should spend a few days or nights in Mound Bayou. Hurrah for Mound Bayou, Miss., and its fine citizenship and hats off to its worthy Mayor, Mr. Greene.

THE GOOD WILL PRINTERY

Dear Presidents and Friends: It is with delightful pleasure that we announce to you the opening of our new printing establishment in the new H. B. A. Building. A splendid young man, Mr. W. C. Baity, in charge. Whatever you want in the line of printing, mail it to the Good Will Printery, care of H. B. A. Building, Meridian, Miss.

BOARD REPORTS

I have mailed out checks to the amount of $221.00 to each representative, or president for the March Board. The total amount collected for the March Board on all claims, $9,168.25 of this amount $1,044.80. Dues; $7,072.00 Death Claim, $811.45 Building fee; $40.45 Back monies and $200.00 Bond. We have some local presidents have not yet made their report.

SECRETARY.

MAGEE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me one copy of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star. I am trying to get every family of my lodge to take a copy.

W. J. RANKIN, Pres.

Dear Editor: I am writing you concerning some of our H. B. A. presidents that are voilating the law by taking in members, who are to old to comply with the law. The particular presidents is Prof. A. C. Drummond. This matter should be investigated. We are having to many deaths for some of our presidents to impose on the order as they are doing by taking in these old sick members.

REPORTER.

BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 63, are doing nicely. I am sure you all can recall the plan of W. C. McLeod, concerning cutting out the Boards. You, as general secretary, had all the local presidents to write a short letter as to whether we wanted the Boards cut out or continued. I wrote and said "Let God be your guide." I was thinking that we presidents in the lower districts were rained out this quarter, and my suggestion was pretty good after all.

JOHN COLE, Pres.

TOOMSUBA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me thirty copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star, for my lodge.

M. V. B. PITTS, Pres.

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334	10.95	
302	16.10	
201	39.85	

CARMICHEAL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 95, are doing nicely. We are very glad that we are going to have the June Board, and we are looking to that end.

REV. C. L. PRINGLE, Pres.

STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please mail me twenty-five copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star, for the families of lodge Nos. 345 and 355.

Yours for the work.

WM. RANDALL.

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me seven copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star. I am getting every family of my lodge to take a paper. Will send in another order soon.

E. L. HILL, Pres.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to say a few encouraging words in regards of the H. B. A. and its progress. The H. B. A. is like the little acorn that grow into massive oaks. Its branches give home and shelter to the master's handwork. That is what we are doing in our society for the sick and needy and at the death of a member to the human family. In other words we are planting seeds of inspiration in the minds of men that the unborn might see and read of the work that has been accomplished by us. Rush the building to completion and the victory will be ours.

T. H. DOBY.

NOTICE

All presidents are to send return postage, those desiring a receipt, with monies sent to the office.

R. L. Y.

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If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will kindly send the ones that you failed to receive.

R. L. Y.

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Roy L. Young, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor, publisher, business manager and owner of The Echo, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership and management of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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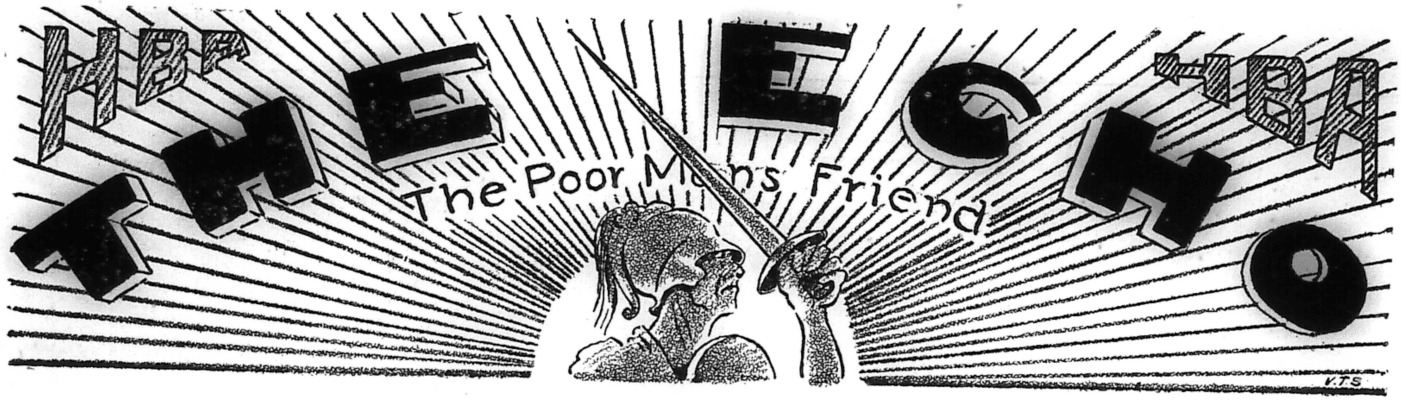

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POPLARVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 281, are doing nicely.

We had a splendid service on Easter Sunday. We had a wonderful sermon preached by Rev. W. C. McDuffy. Sister M. E. Miller rendered a wonderful program, which was enjoyed by all present.

MRS. A. B. MCDUFFY, Reporter.

COHAY, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please send me two copies of the Good Will Edition of the Meridian Star.

Mrs. Lanie Carmicheal, President.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 251 is planning for an H. B. A. drive on the second Sunday in May. You are invited one and all to come and help us out in our drive. Come one come all.

I. V. Jordon, President.

LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me four copies of the Good Will Edition of the Meridian Star.

Mrs. Ella Morrell, President No. 76

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me one copy of the Good Will Editon of the Meridian Star. I am very anxious to read it.

J. A. Johnson, President.

STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to say that sister Rosa Franklin of Piave Lodge No. 345 departed this life Sunday morning April 21st. She was an earnest church, club and lodge worker, and her passing will be long felt in this community. She leaves to morn her passing a husband, Brother H. Franklin, and a host of friends. Her funeral was attended by her Pastor, Rev. D. Evans. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain.

Wm. W. Randall, President.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Rev Young: I am sending you twelve application blanks for some new members that I have added to my lodge. Please send me some more application blanks by return mail. Inclosed find $24.00 for the said twelve policies.

J. M. MARTIN, Pres. No. 45

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 45 are doing nicely in our work. On our last meeting night we made eighteen members. We are working for the September Board to be held at Lambert, Miss. If we fail to get the September Board we will be very much disappointed.

Mrs. Linnell, Walker, Sec.

CARMICHEAL, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please send me twenty copies of the Good Will Edition of the Meridian Star.

Rev. C. L. Pringle, President.

DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: After reading my Echo for April 1, I am now sending you 10c for one copy of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star. I am willing at any time to do anything that I think is for the good of the order.

W. L. McDADE, Pres, No. 85.

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 230 is still alive. On Easter Sunday we had our anniversary sermon preached by Rev. J. R. Reynold. His subject was "Remember your obligations" which was enjoyed by all present. Quite a few visitors were present. A nice little sum of $8.15 was taken up.

Yours for the order.

R. H. LOFTEN, Pres.

ROYCE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 364 is doing nicely. Every-time we meet we get a new member. We are trusting that the H. B. A. will long live.

Rev. R. J. Powe, President.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me three copies of the Good Will Edition of the Meridian Star. Hope I am not to late to have my order filled.

Mrs. Julia McNeese; President.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me fifteen copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star by return mail.

MRS. E. A. B. HARPER, Pres.

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POTERVILLE,

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 96 has lost a faithful member and a wiling worker. In the person of Bro. R. C. McConnell. His seat will be vacant. There is no one who can fill his seat in our lodge. He was secretary of lodge No. 96. Not only was he faithful in his lodge, but in his church as well. He was loved by all who knew him. He was a devoted husband for his loving wife and children. Brother R. C. McConnell was recording secretary of Keys Chapel M. E. Church. He is not dead but asleep. He leaves a wife, six children and a host of relatives and friends to morn his passing

F. L. Key, Reporter

Board Collection

All presidents are requested to collect $1. 35 Death claim, Quartly Dues etc. from each member and report same in the June Board.

BOND, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young:

Please send me twenty five copies of the Good Will Edition of the Meridian Star for the members of my lodge.

J. M. Hall, President.

Dear Prisidents: The great Flu epidemic caused us to loose a large numder of members., since January first. It is impossible for us to pay them all off in this Board without cutting your policy to about $200. 00. We are compelled to leave a few members off whom we would like to have paid off in the June Board. We are compelled to take care of you from all angles. Those who are not being paid off in the June Board will be paid off in the September Board.

Secretary.

DeKALB

Dear Editor:

Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know we the members of lodge No. 85 are doing nicely. Seemingly, all of our members have the H. B. A. at heart. Every-body seems to be glad when the meeting night comes. We have a loyal bunch of H. B. A. members in lodge No. 85. We have a good many doctor bills, but by the help of the good Lord, we try to pay all just claim presented to our Lodge. We had brother T. J. McWilliam, with us on last meeting night.

E. J. McDADE

Waynesboro,

Dear Editor: we do not want you all to feel dull about the convention coming to Waynesboro, thinking that it would not be taken care of for we in the little town of Waynesboro, have the people's eyes looking for the convention and the hundreds of dollars standing waiting for you. For these reasons we are asking you not to be on easy. Our lodge is in better shape than it has been. We have had some trouble but conditions are about to change. The roads are all good and we are on a good high-way.

S. L. Harris.

Editor's Note

Brother Harris, is the newly elected President at Waynesboro and we do not know his ability to manage his folks for the convention, how-ever, we do know that Waynesboro has been having a little spat practically ever since Rev. Orange passed away. I visited the lodge sometime ago and told the good people of Waynesboro to stop spatting because we wanted to come there with the Convention. With a large number of delegates that make up the convention it is going to take a solid and united front for any lodge or place to care for the convention. Again, I think that with our new Office-Building completed at a cost of forty or fifty thousands dollars, $40,000 or $50,000, with nothing of its kind in the State of Mississippi, that it will be a credit for us to come to Meridian with the convention. However, if the local presidents want to go to Waynesboro, lets go.

Brookhaven, Miss

Dear Editor:

Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers of the State know that we the members of lodge No. 330 are doing nicely and are asking for the September Board.

If we could have the September Board it certainly would help here in this little place. We are about five miles East of Brookhaven, Miss. We feel that the meeting of the Board will be a great help to our lodge, neighborhood and all those who attend this great meeting. We have quite a few knockers here in this settlement, and then they will have a chance to see for themselves, just what the H. B. A. is really doing.

Presidents kindly vote for lodge No. 330 to have the September Board

Rosa Scarbough, President.

Enterprise

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 267 are doing nicely, we had the General President, Rev. E. F. Young with us on our last meeting night, we took in two new members on the night that our president was with us. You are invited to come again Mr. President.

G. D. Cotton, President.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the June Board:

1 Ben Denson No. 285, H. A. Morgan President. Montrose, Miss.

2 P. E. Echol No. 49, V. T. Thompson, President. Bassfield, Miss.

3 Charley Coleman, No. 202, Henry Spell, President. Ellisville,

4 Phillis Simons No. 72 D. H. Watson, President. Meridian, Miss.

5 George Jones, No. 165, Prof H. J. Green, President. Laurel,

6 Ella Dean No. 96, F. L. Key, President Poterville,

7 T. P. Williams, No. 22, J. C. Williams, President. Toomsuba,

8 Racheal Moore, No. 207, J. J. Pierce, President. Heidelburg, Miss.

9 Julia Moore, No. 33, Henry Davis President. Meridian, Miss.

10 Oscar Williams, No. 299, Esau Sledge, President. Macon, Miss.

11 Isaac May, No. 252, Allen, Bridges, President. Jayess, Miss.

12 Alex Kirk, No. 286 Mrs. Eva Sumrall; President. Pachuta, Miss.

13 Mattie Harrison, No 32 B. Brown, President. Meridian, Miss.

14 Willie Watts, No. 82, Prof. Thos Blakney, President. Quitman, Miss.

15 Lizzie Adams, No. 110, M. Powell, President. Meridian, Miss.

16 Arch Page, No. 109, Chas. Franklin, President. Laurel, Miss.

17 Jane Warren, No. 27, Mrs. F. C. Cooley, President. Meridian Miss.

18 Susan Anderson, No. 145, Prof. H. R. Evans, President. Enterprise, Miss.

19 Conelia Edwards No. 112, J. C. Coleman, President. DeKalb,

20 George Levi No. 277, Prof. J.J. Pickett, President. Brookhaven, Miss

21 Mary J. Jones, No. 201 Will Bradford, President. Heideldurg

22 Katie Warren, No. 105, W. H. Langham, President, Wiggins, Miss.

23 Annie Hoggins, No. 240, H. Barnett, President. Gulfport, Miss

24 Franc Mikel, No. 23 J. M. Thompson, President. Bassfield,

25 A. R. Duckworth, No. 160, W. J. Tate, President Prentiss, Miss.

26 E. J. Mosley, No. 31, A. Akins, President. Lauderdale,

27 Eddie Stokes, No. 153, W. A. Pickett, President. Desota,

28 Racheal Cole No. 102, Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, Pres. Hattisburg,

29 Malissa English No. 270, A. J. Barnett, Pres. Hattisburg,

30 Elizabeth Crofford No. 22, J.C. Williams, President, Toomsuba.

31 James Cohen No. 232, Edward Bose, Pres. Hattisburg,

32 Albert White, No. 372, R. Jones President. Picayune,

33 Eliza Moore, No 93, W, L. Gillespie, Pres. Shuqualak,

34 L. C. Clark, No. 42, Mrs. Vina Clayton, Pres. Lauderdale,

35 Lear Hayner, No. 258, George Loving, President. Arm.

TENTATIVE

H. B. A. Boards Meet as Follows:

Board No. 1 meets at Macon, Miss. Monday June 3rd Esau Sledge, President.

Board No. 2 meets at Lauderdale, Tuesday June 4th, J. J. Overstreet, President.

Board No. 3 meets at Bethel, five miles north of Meridian, Friday June 7th, J. C. Burton, President.

Board No. 4 meets at Mt. Olive, Miss Tuesday June 11th, Rev. E. W. Washington, President.

Board No. 5 meet at Columbia, Wednesday June 12th, James Rodges. President

Board No. 6 meets at Bay Springs, Miss., Tuesday June 18th.

Board No. 7 meets at Ellisville, Thursday June 20th, Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, President.

Board No. 8 meets at Carmicheal, Miss., Tuesday June 25th, Rev. C. L. Pringle, President

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Rev. J. J. Jones, two daughters Sallie and Lillie Jones, two son, Samuel and Mack, spent a pleasant stay in the new Home-Office a few days ago. Rev. Jones was very well pleased to see the Building nearing completion so rapidly.

Reporter.

The following presidents vote for the convention to be held in Meridian, W. L. McDade President Geo. Quincy, Pres. C. W. Belt, President Ed McLemore, Pres- C. W. Hearns, Pres.

F. Ott, Pres. W. L. Wilson, Pres. E. L. Crosby, Pres. G. D. Cotton, Pres. T. J. Dear, Pras.

R. McCormick, Pres. C. M. Mayfield, President J. C. Coleman Pres. Rev. J. H. Welch, Pres.

I. M. Martin, Pres, 1, W. M. Peay, Pres, Mrs, M, E, Curry, President, E, M, Dunn, Pres,

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Lodge 171, E. L. Crosby, Wiggins
Lodge 177 J. D. Pace, Shubuta
Lodge 197, John Price Oakvale
Lodge 240, H. Barnett, Gulfport,
Lodge 357, George Yates, Saucier,
Lodge 378, Willie Picket Waynsboro
Lodge 386 Rev. H. P. Clark, Crowder,

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DALEVILLE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please send me fifteen copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star for the families of my lodge.

T.J.McWILLAMS, Pres.

BRAXTON, MISS

Rev. R.L.Young: Please mail me fourteen copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star to give out among the members of lodge No.239.

A.G.KENNEDY, Pres.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please send me ten copies of the "Good Will Edition" of the Meridian Star.

JACK DAVIS, Pres.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of April, 1929.

WILLIS M. TAYLOR,

(Seal) Notary Public.

My commission expires August 17, 1930.

COLUMBIA, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I am very sorry that our Board could not be held here on account of the high water.

We had planned to have one of the best Boards in Columbia on the 20th of March that has ever been held in the history of the Association. Please give us the June Board. It will mean so much to us to have the Board meet here in June.

D. M. MARSHALL, Pres.

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The follwing names presidents vote for the convention to be held in Waynesboro, Miss.: Mrs. Mattie Trussell and D. H. Watson,

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LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 388 are doing nicely. We have some application blanks on file and hope to get some more soon. Pray that we might continue to grow.
J. P. Jackson, Reporter.

MIZE, MISS.

Dear Editor Please allow me space in your little paper to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 372 have lost one, who was very close and dear to us, in the person of Bro. L. D. Duckworth. Bro. Ducksworth is given the credit for lodge No. 372 being on foot. He was a staunch H. B. A. member from the beginning until the Lord said "enough done come upon high". We all will miss our dear brother. His seat will be vacant in our lodge. He leaves a wife, two daughters three sons, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing. Sleep on Bro. Ducksworth. We too, will be called to pay the debt that you have paid. Our lodge has lost a faithful member, our church has lost a good citizen. We give to the family our deepest sympathy.

Rev. E. L. Expose, Pres.

The H. B. A. Building

The H. B. A. Building is now completed, and it is the joy of the entire race. We have striven hard and we have done our best. Not only the colored race is proud of this wonderful Building but the white race is also expressing its appreciation. There's is onething makes as glad, and that is, to know that the members appreciate what we have done and are going to put the program over. H. B. A.s, you are the morning star, you are the lilies of the valley. We are looking to see what each president is going to do at the convention. 25 cents is the assessment, but will you, who can stop there? No! No! No! Come on you true H. B. A.s lets pull up strong and show ourselves. I am going to give $5.00. What lodge is going to win the great banner?
General President

The followsng presidents vote for the convention to be in Meridian: N. J. Winston, Derias Croft, Henry Thompson.

IMPORTANT CHANGE

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Board No. 8- will meet at Carmichael Friday June the 14th Rev. C. L. Pringle, President.
Dear Presidents: We have been compelled to change the dates of the Boards, because of the pressing obligations that we have upon us. If it happens that any of the local presidents can not entertain the board on the above dates please notify us at once, and we will be compelled to change it to some other place.

Secretary.

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MAKING GOOD

Miss Gertrude Harper of D'Lo, Miss. daughter of ex-president D.H. Harper of H. B. A. lodge No. 71, D'Lo, Miss. is making good as head type-setter for the Good-Will Printing Co.

NOTICE

All presidents are asked to watch the Echo, or visit your Post-Office for special mail. We may make some changes in the meeting places for the Boards etc.

Secretary.

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MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 161 are doing nicely. All of my memders are faithful H. B. A. members. They all work in harmony with any plan that is brought up by their leaders. Pray that we may continue to grow.

Ames Johnson, Pres.

COLUMBIA ,MISS

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we lost one of our members, in the person of Brother Sidney Staker. Brother Staker was a faithful member. He was an earnest church worker. His seat will be vacant in our lodge for ever. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife two sons and a host of relatives and friends. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain.

Mrs. S. H. Powell, Sec.

COLLINS, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know about the lost of my loving wife, Nancy Crosby. Sister Crosby leaves to mourn her passing a husband and nine children. We all will miss our dear sister.

Reporter.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to say that we have lost a member of our lodge, one that we loved so well, in the person of Bro. E. B. Davis who was highly esteemed by all who knew him. Brother Davis was a faithful member of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. He was a willing worker in any thing that he was asked to do. The lodge has lost a faithful member, the community has lost a good citizen and the church has lost a willing worker. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain. Brother Davis leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife and six children. We are trusting that Bro Davis is sleeping in Jesus. His remains were laid to rest on the 28th of April with H. B. A. honors.

A. J. Barnett, President.

NOTICE

To the local presidents I wish you all to be on your watch. I find since I have been in the districts as an Agent, that there has been a lot of crooked worked done by some of our local presidents. When our local presidents play these tricks on the folks, it makes it very hard on the Agents and the General Body as well.

Be sure your sins will find you out, and that is my job too.

Yours for a better H. B. A.

A. J. BARNETT, Agt.

SHUQUALAK, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to let the many readers know that we are doing nicely in our lodge.

Alex Paylor, President-

BROOKSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 185 have lost a faithful member, in the person of Bro. Hence Steperson. Bro. Steperson departed this life Monday May 6th at 10:00 A. M. Lodge No. 185 has lost a loving member and a willing worker. Bro. Steperson was loved by all who knew him. We will miss our dear brother.

W. T. Tate, President.

The following presidents vote for the convention to be held in Meridian: Robert Cooley, W. J. Rankin, S. M. Jackson, H. A. Morgan, R. C. Cole, Vina Clayton, J. H. McGolthan, Alex Paylor, J. E. Grace, J. W. Polk, Mrs. Annie Blanks.

CRAWFORD, MISS

Dear Editor: Please: allow me a space in the Echo to let many readers of the State and else where know, that we the members, of lodge No. 314, have lost a faithful member, in the person of Sister Jane Girdon. Sister Girdon was a faithful member in her lodge and church. She was loved by all knew her. When the Lord summoned her to come on high she was singing "Am I born to die to lay this body down" Our lodge will miss our dear sister. She was always willing to go to the last notch in doing good for her race. The community has lost a good citizen. We are praying that our dear sister is heaven's gain

Mrs. Mary D. Howard, President.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 45 are doing nicely. We had a storm here in our community. The wind blew the porch off of our dear president's home. We are thanking the Lord that this is all the damage that was done. There was no one injured. On our last meeting night we made six members. Lodge No. 45 is "red hot". There is not a meeting night that we don't get an application for membership to our lodge. We had eight members present from lodge No. 387 on our last meeting night. Pray that we might continue to hold out to the end.

The many readers and friends will regret very much to learn of the burning of sister Leoner Roberts. She is doing nicely in the hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

A. M. Walker, Reporter.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the June Board:

1 Ben Denson No. 285, H. A. Morgan President. Montrose, Miss.

2 P. E. Echol No. 49, V. T. Thompson, President. Bassfield, Miss.

3 Charley Coleman, No. 202, Henry Spell, President. Ellisville.

4 Phillis Simons No. 72 D. H. Watson, President. Meridian, Miss.

5 George Jones, No. 165, Prof H. J. Green, President. Laurel.

6 Ella Dean No. 96, F. L. Key, President Poterville.

7 T. P. Williams, No. 22, J. C. Williams, President. Toomsuba,

8 Racheal Moore, No. 207, J. J. Pierce, President. Heidelburg, Miss.

9 Julia Moore, No. 33, Henry Davis President. Meridian, Miss.

10 Oscar Williams, No. 299, Esau Sledge, President. Macon, Miss.

11 Isaac May, No. 252, Allen, Bridges, President. Jayess, Miss.

12 Alex Kirk, No. 286 Mrs. Eva Sumrall; President. Pachuta, Miss.

13 Mattie Harrison, No 32 B. Brown, President. Meridian, Miss.

14 Willie Watts, No. 82, Prof. Thos Blakney, President. Quitman, Miss.

15 Lizzie Adams, No. 110, M. Powell, President. Meridian, Miss.

16 Arch Page, No. 109, Chas. Franklin, President. Laurel, Miss.

17 Jane Warren, No. 27, Mrs. F. C. Cooley, President. Meridian Miss.

18 Susan Anderson, No. 145, Prof. H. R. Evans, President. Enterprise, Miss.

19 Conelia Edwards No. 112, J. C. Coleman, President. DeKalb,

20 George Levi No. 277, Prof. J.J. Pickett, President. Brookhaven, Miss

21 Mary J. Jones, No. 201 Will Bradford, President. Heidelburg

22 Katie Warren, No. 105, W. H. Langham, President, Wiggins, Miss.

23 Annie Hoggins, No. 240, H. Barnett, President. Gulfport, Miss

24 Francis Mikel, No. 23 J. M. Thompson, President. Bassfield,

25 A. R. Duckworth, No. 160, W. J. Tate, President Prentiss, Miss.

26 E. J. Mosley, No. 31, A. Akins, President. Lauderdale,

27 Eddie Stokes, No. 153, W. A. Pickett, President. Desota.

28 Racheal Cole No. 102, Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, Pres. Hattisburg,

29 Malissa English No. 270, A. J. Barnett, Pres. Hattisburg,

30 Elizabeth Crofford No. 22, J.C. Williams, President, Toomsuba.

31 James Cohen No. 232, Edward Bose, Pres. Hattisburg,

32 Albert White, No. 372, R. Jones President. Picayune,

33 Eliza Moore, No 93, W, L. Gillespie, Pres. Shuqualak,

34 L. C. Clark, No. 42, Mrs. Vina Clayton, Pres. Lauderdale,

35 Lear Hayner, No. 258, George Loving, President. Arm.

TENTATIVE

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Board No. 8 meets at Carmicheal, Miss., Tuesday June 25th, Rev. C. L. Pringle, President

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BROOKSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow lodge No. 185 a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing nicely. We are still adding new members to our lodge.

Yours for a better H. B. A.

W. T. Tate, Pres.

The following named persons are authorized agents for the Holbrook Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi:

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The following lodges failed to report Dues and Death Claims for the March Board:

Lodge 66, R. B. Scroggins, Richton
Lodge 171, E. L. Crosby, Wiggins
Lodge 177 J. D. Pace, Shubuta
Lodge 197, John Price Oakvale
Lodge 240, H. Barnett, Gulfport,
Lodge 357, George Yates, Saucier,
Lodge 378, Willie Picket Waynsboro
Lodge 386 Rev. H. P. Clark, Crowder,

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me a small space in the Echo to let the members and friends know that we the members of lodge No 253 are doing nicely. We have had quite a few members on the sick list, but they are doing nicely. we wish for them a speedy recovery.

Reporter.

The Juvenile Board A Success

The juvenile Board met Wednesday May 8th in the H. B. A. Building to hold its Quarterly meeting. Quite a few guides were present and made splendid reports. The department is growing very rapidly. We paid off one claim in this meeting, and would have paid off others but the guides failed to report the deaths properly. We have adopted a new rule by which each guide is to make her death report. Each guide making a death report is to have the president and secretary of the local lodge to sign said report before sending it to the secretary. The juvenile departmert is under the supervision of the women, and they should do their best to make this the greatest department in the H. B. A. One of the guides present report seventy members, and all of the other guides went away with a new zeal to go and do likewise. We believe in the near future the juvenile department will equal that of the H. B. A. proper. If each local president would do his best in this department, it would not be long before we would have a great H. B. A. family.

E. F. Young, President.

D. B. Borders, Secretary.

QUITMAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that we have lost a faithful member, in the person of sister Bettie McGee. Sister McGee was a staunch H. B. A. and all of those who knew sister McGee can verify this statement. She was willing to do good at any time. Before parting this life, she stated that she was going home to rest, and not to worry over her passing. The community is much shocked over the passing of our dear sister..

T. J. Dear, President.

LANGSDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space te let the readers of this little paper know that we the members of lodge No. 278 are doing nicely. Every one has the H. B. A. at heart. Everybody is working in harmony for the good of the order. We are complying with the law, and by doing so, every thing is moving along smoothly If all of our dear presidents would use their constitutions there would be less confusion and trouble in the Order. My lodge is doing good things and we are trying to do better. Pray that we may continue to do good.

G. W. Sterling, President.

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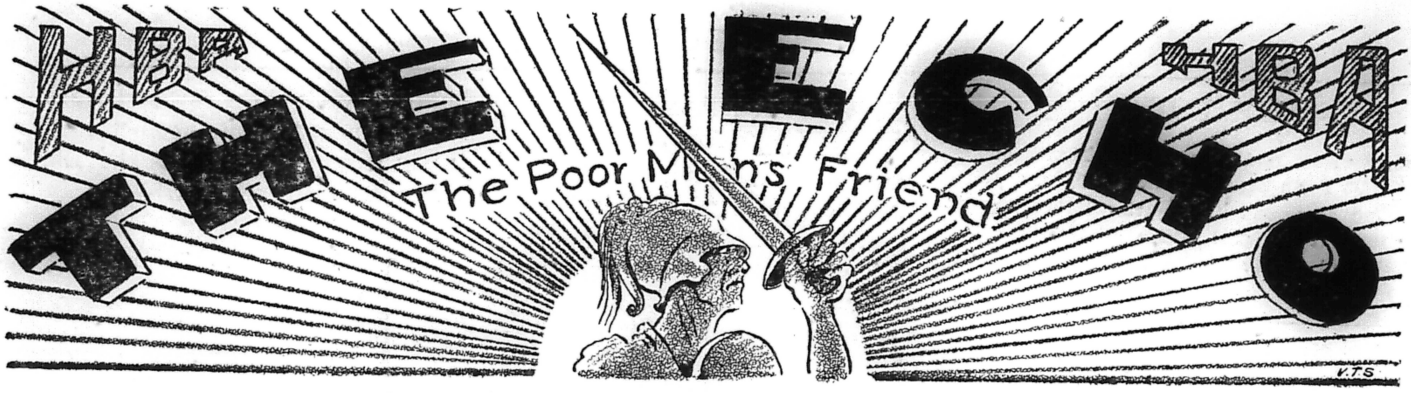

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BUCTURNNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 214 are doing nicely. We are all in smiles to know that the convention is going to be in Meridian. We will try to go to Waynesboro, Miss., with the convention in 1930. We would like for the Quarterly Boards to come to Bucturnna, or a little closer than it does.

J. L. Story, Pres.

BROOKSVILLE, MISS

Dear Editor: I am writing you concerning one of our members, who died May 6th 1929, in the person of Bro. Hense Steperson Bro. Steperson was a faithful member of lodge No. 185. He leaves to morn his passing a wife, three children and a host of friends.

Reporter

Richton, Miss.
May 12, 1929

Mr. R. L. Young,
Meridian, Miss.

Dear Sir: Rev. I. C. Harper has organized a lodge here and has collected Bond and policy fees from the members, and I have not received the policies yet. I have been paying Dues and Death claim every since the lodge was organized, except the March assessment, and that is because I have become dissatisfied about our policies. I have been told that if you do not have your policy you will not get anything. Will you kindly tell me what to do to get our policies?

Very truly yours
Jack Bunch.

LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Sec. I wish to speak to you concenring lodge No' 265 organized by Rev. I. C. Harper, In the setting up, he took in several old people to join the H. B. A. I was present and told him that he was violating the law he promised to get them in the juvenile department, but he has failed until now. All those members have fallen out except one.

Prof. H. Green, President.

The juvenile Board was held May 8th in the H. B. A. Building. A good many of the guides were present and a few sent their reports. This department is progressing nicely, but not like it should, if our local presidents would give it the proper consideration. There ought to be a juvenile Chapter in every local lodge.

Brothers and sisters, lets give a little more of our time to this department in order that it might be what it should. It has been that the guides could only take children, who had relatives belonging to the H. B. A. but the president announced in our last meeting that the guides could take anybody's children from six years of age to twelve. Sister Rosie Russell of Marion, Miss. Reported seventy one children in her chapter in our last meeting. Sister Russell is a real worker. Come on lets make this Department what it should be.

D. B. Borders, Secretary.

VOSSBUG, MSS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 290 are doing nicely. We are getting ready for June Board. Pray for our success.

L. Bonner, President.

LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I have been a silent reader of the Echo for sometime. I thought that I would say something concerning Lodge No. 31. We are doing nicely under the conditions of the past. We are small in number, but please don't think at all that our thoughts are small, for they are great and our aims are high. Yours for the Order.

Mrs. Vallie Thornton.

SUMRALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the readers of this wonderful little paper know, that we the members of lodge No. 115 are doing nicely. We had our Anniversary sermon preached the first Sunday in May by the Rev. E. B. Blackman, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District. Rev. Blackman preached a wonderful sermon, which was enjoyed by all present. A nice little sum of $23. 85 was raised. All of our members are working in harmony with the president. We have a fine president. Pray that we may press on.

Lela Wright, Reporter.

ELLISVILL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Just a few lines concerning lodge No. 202. We are doing nicely. We will be very proud for the June Board to convene here, in order for the folks to see just what the H. B. A. is really doing.

Yours for the Order,
Henry Spell, Pres.

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NOTICE

Dear Presidents: Please write the office for a death report blank whenever you loose a member. We never record a death until we have an official proof of the Association. We have two or three members who died last March, but the presidents failed to make a report for said deaths.

R.L.Y.

BOND, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give us a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that, we the members of lodge No. 198 are doing nicely. On our last meeting night we elected officers. The following persons were elected: Bro. J. M. Hall, President. Bro. J.C. Evans, Vice President. Sister E. B. Kennedy, Secretary. Sister Annie Williams, Treasurer, and Brother Frank Steward, Chaplain. Rev E. L. Fox was with us and spoke some very encouraging words in behalf of the H. B. A We are always proud to have great men to visit our lodge. Come again Brother Fox. We have quite a few sick members. Sister Chaney Miller has been sick quite a while, but is doing nicely. There are also many others, and we wish for them all a speedy recovery.

The lodge donated sister Britten $5.00 and made the president present of a nice Bible. We ask the many H. B. A.s to pray for our success.

J. M. Hall, President.

IMPORTANT

To Presidents And Members

When ever a president makes his report at the quarterly board, it is the duty of that president to show all receipts on the first meeting night after the board. It is his duty to notify the member of the number of members, who are in good standing. It is his duty to read before the lodge the names of those who have paid and those who have not paid.

This should be done in order to clear the president, because of suspicion as well as letting the people know how they stand. We have a certain president, whom I have always considered to be fair, square and honest, but for some cause and some how another, that president had a member to die, and that member has not paid death claims to the office for nearly fifthteen months. The president said that he has been collecting the money but the money had not reached the office. There is something wrong somewhere. Its reasonable that a president might fail to get a member in one board, but to miss four consecutive boards and nearly three months on the next board is hardly conceviable unless the wrong thing is being practiced from some angle.

A member writes from Gulfport, Miss. that lodge No. 240 has reported for twenty four members at $1.25 each in the last board, and according to our records, we have not received a penny. In the next convention for the protection of the members and the general body as well, we are going to ask that each local lodge be required to have at least three Echo going to the local lodge's officers. It is better for us to let the Echo go at a reduced rate where the lodge takes three or four than to have our local lodge beat of its money by dishonest presidents.

GULFPORT, MISS.

Dear Rev Young: Just a few lines in regards to lodge-No. 240. I noticed in the Echo that lodge No. 240 failed to make a report for the March board Money for twenty four members has been turned over to the president, Mr. Barnett. We the members of lodge No. 240 are doing nicely but have had quite a few on the sick list. We have had lots of doctor bills to pay, but by the help of the Lord we will over come by and by.

Yours for Christ,
Done By The orders of Lodge No. 240.
E.V. Atwood, Fin.Secy.

LAWRENCE, Miss.

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know that I have been in bed sick for four weeks but by the help of the Lord we are doing nicely in our lodge. After looking over the names of the presidents that voted for the convention to be held in Meridian I was filled with joy. I too, vote for the convention to come to Meridian.

MRS. M. E. Curry, President.

The Formal Opening of the H. B. A. Tuesday Night May 21st was a Crowning Point In the History of The H. B. A. The meeting was attended by those who are interested in the special work that is being done by this Organization. Music was furnished by the local talent of the City together with the Metropolitian Band. The white speakers on Program were Hon. Thos. L. Bailey, Speaker of the House, and Mr. R. C. Springer, architect for the Holbrook Benevolent Association. Those of our race who spoke were: Rev. D. L. Morgan, Prof. T. J. Harris, Dr. J. B. F. Shaw, Dr. Wilson, Rev. T. J. Wilson, Frank Reece, D. H. Watson, R. B. Berkley, The General President and General Secretary.

A good time was had. The Echo wishes to thank Miss Elsie Kate Washington and Dr. J. B. F. Shaw for the willingness to have one and two of their programs for their closing exercises in the H. B. A. Auditorium.

Secretary.

PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear President: This is to certify that the two younger children of mary Jane Bender, deceased member of lodge no. 251, need $10.00 each at present. Done by the orders of the lodge.

Ivy Jordan, President

Notice To President And Members

All presidents in and aroud Meridian, who wish to meet in the H. B. A. hall may do so for 75 cents a night. You will have your water, light and heat free. We have a special hall for that purpose.

Some of the members and presidents in Meridian have a belief that because the Building belongs to the H. B. A. s that they have a right to meet in the Building free of charge. Now good friends, a little common sense onght to teach you better than that. May I ask, who is going to pay your water bill, your light bill and your janitor bill? You may say that the Organization should pay it. What business have the local lodges in Hattiesburg, Bassfield, Macon, Magee, Laurel to pay your hall rent? Now good friends if any of you want to stay out of the Building, because we are charging you the small amount of 75 cents per night, just help yourself, because honey we are going to see that you pay or stay out. The City of Meridian and other towns have paved streets for you to walk and ride on, but if you come to Meridian and live and use these streets, the City will certainly make you pay tax. You may have good roads in your county but that county is going to make you pay tax. You may own an automobile, pay $5,000 for it, but if you want to ride in the City and county in which you live, they are certainly going to see to it that you pay tax to ride in it. If you don't pay your tax on your car, if they catch you in it you will pay. Now children, if you meet in this Building you are going to pay a tax for same. The office of the Holbrook Benevolent Association is in it's own building, but our rent will average about $45.00 a month the association must pay to live in its own house. Now my honey choose what road you want.

Roy. L. Young

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that we the members of lodge No. 253 are doing nicely. On Saturday May 25th, 1929 the death angle came and summoned one of our loyal H. B. A. members in the person of Miss Bellena E. Johnson to her celestial home.

We will miss our dear friend. There is no one to fill her place in our lodge. Miss Johnson was a loyal member and a willing worker. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her passing a mother, father, four sisters, one brother and a host of relatives and friends.

"A precious one from us has parted
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our lodge
which never can be filled."

Mattie L. Larkin, Reporter.
E. F. YOUNG, Jr. President.

HEIDELBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 207 are doing nicely. As president of lodge No. 207, I cast my vote for the convention to be held in Meridian, Miss. All of my members are well pleased to know that the convention will be in Meridian. We are praying that we might continue to grow in membership. Yours in Christ

J. J. Pierce, President.

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PACHUTA, Miss.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 286 are doing nicely and still on the upward march. We will be delighted to know that the convention is going to be held in Meridian, Miss. in July. It will be a showing to the entire membership to meet in Meridian and see that wonderful Building, that has bsen constructed, and which in a credit to the entire race. I am voting for the convention to be held in Meridian.

Yours for the Order,

Eva Sumrall, Pres.

Dear Editor: Please give me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 72 are doing fine. All of our members are working in harmony with one another. Pray that we may continue.

Reporter.

Maxie Miss.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 226 are doing nicely. We have two application blanks on file for membership to our lodge. On our last meeting night we had a splendid meeting. One of the Brothers got up and made a very very pleasing talk in behalf of the H. B. A. He stated that the H. B. A. was the only secret Order that he knows of worth while, and that he expects to live and die an H. B. A. member. Our whole community is beginning to wake up and get into the H. B. A. I am proud to know that something has gotton them aroused up. I am going to make a special trip to Meridian just to see that wonderful H. B. A. Building.

Our leading white people are very well pleased with the way that the business is transacted.

Yours for the Order,

Budford Harthorn.

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IMPORTANT CHANGE

Board No. 1- will meet at Macon, Miss Monday June 3rd Esau Sledge, Pres.
Board No 2-will meet June 4th at Lauderdale, Mr. J. J. Overstreet, President.

Board No.3- will meet at Bethel, four miles North of Meridian Wednesday June 5th J. C. Burton, Pres.

Board No, 4- will meet at Mt. Olive, Friday June 7th Rev E. W. Washington, President.

Board No. 5- will meet at Columbia, Tuesday June the 11th James Rodges President.

Board No. 6- will meet at Baysprings Wednesday June the 12th Geo. Quincy, President.

Board No. 7- will meet at Ellisville, Thursday June the 13th Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, President.

Board No. 8- will meet at Carmichael Friday June the 14th Rev. C. L. Pringle, President.

Dear Presidents: We have been compelled to change the dates of the Boards, because of the pressing obligations that we have upon us. If it happens that any of the local presidents can not entertain the board on the above dates please notify us at once, and we will be compelled to change it to some other place.

Secretary.

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R. L. Y.

NOTICE

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R. L. Y.

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EWANEE MISS.

Dear Editor:

Please allow space in the Echo, that the many readers of the God sent messenger know that lodge No. 4 is still alive and doing fine. altho we have some yet sick and have lost two this year, but we feel that our lost was Heaven's gain. June the first was an era of good feelings in our lodge as the Gen. president and Mrs— was with us after which listening to the timely speech made by the Gen. President aroused a spirit of enthusiasm among the many hearers until we were all feeling like we were eating Apples of gold out of pictures of Silver. We want him to come again July the 6th is the election time at our lodge. And we are hoping to elect as we have done before bro. J. J. Johnson as president he is a faithful worker for the H. B. A. We all enjoyed the board held at Lauderdale, looking for a grand time at the coming convention. We are expecting to shout all over our building.

Yours for success,
Mrs. Hummie O. Dunnigan, Sec. of Lodge No. 4.
Kewanee, Miss.

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Mr. J. M. Martin, Lambert, Miss. is cleaning up. He has reported twenty five new members since the last Quarter. We think we are going to the delta, up around Tunica or Longstreet, where ever Agent Walker and Bro. Martin want the board. We wish they would work together in order, that they might organize at least three more lodges in their section by the next quarter. Brother Martin has reported more new members in the last quarter than any president in the whole State. We wish to commend Mr. Martin for his splendid work.

Secretary

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words to the many readers of this little paper We the members of lodge No. 302 are doing nicely. We had our anniversay sermon preached on the first Sunday in June, by Rev. Hastley of Meridian. Rev. Hastley is welcome with lodge No. 302 at anytime. Bro. E. L. Hill and his good members from lodge No. 292 were present Pray that we may continue to grow.

W. E. Chapman, Pres.
Lodge No. 302

BIG BOARD

At Mt. Olive, Miss. June 7th the H.B.A. Board was in session. Rev. E. W. Washington, 212 and his good members royally entertained us. It was a pleasure for the general officers to meet the people of Mt. Pleasant. The Secretary was at one time pastor at this place Many hardy hand shakes and friendly greeting were received. The welcome address was delivered by Bro. John R. McNair.

REV. JENKINS SCORES

Rev. Jenkin, pastor of Bethel M. E. Church delivered one of the best welcome addresses during our board that we have listen to. He really scored. His address was full of thought and inspiration. Go on Jenkin we will see you again.

Lodge No.	amount	back
23	$107.85	
49	30.90	
57	147.00	
63	25.50	
102	155.10	
105	33.60	
108	83.55	
115	33.60	$1.25
120	22.80	
263	29.55	
304	25.50	
312	9.30	2.50
313	34.95	1.25
342	42.05	
343	36.30	6.25
359	16.05	
368	67.35	
385	3.90	
386	10.65	

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Waynesboro, Miss.

The office just received a letter from one of the members of one of our lodges at Waynesboro, Miss. This member states that the lodge is all torn up and in trouble. He also stated that some certain officer made a way with $32.21 without the consent of the lodge. He states that the members present at a certain meeting voted that the person dispensing with the money should give whatever was spent. I know nothing about the case, however, if the lodge voted to do a thing and did not take advantage of any Membere in voting I presume that is the end of it. All members should attened their lodges,
as regularly as possibly, and if they stay away and the lodge votes on a certain proposition, which does not meet their approval they should go on and be satisfied. This member states that Waynesboro is ready to entertain the convention. They want the convention badly and the good white people are willing to give from one to five dollars cash in order to help entertain the convention. I have been invited to this particular lge to straighten out some matters since there is so much trouble in the lodge. I wish to say very candidly and frankly that we do not want to hold the convention at any place where the people are fightinig among themselves. If they are going to fight before we get there, there is going to be some pouting in the homes when we get there and some of the visitors are going to be mistreated by somebody. I like Waynesboro and am always glad to go there, but I truly want to wait until those members get through fussing before we go there to hold a big thing like the convention.

Secretary

Tunica, Miss.

Dear Editor: This comes to let you know that lodge No. 391 is getting along fine. We were not able to meet the board, but we are sending our report. We are hoping to have the board in our section in september. All goes well.

Rosa Belle, President
Box 84

Big Time At Macon June 30th

H.B.A. Board No. 1 at Macon, Miss. was a grand success. President Esau Sledge made it pleasant for all the delegates of the board. a splendid attendance was witnessed. There was a plenty to eat and all enjoyed themselves very very much. The house was practically filled with people on big Monday while the grass was growing. The next board goes to Shuqualak, Miss. H.B.A. No. 93, W.L. Gillespie, President.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Sister Stiles departed this life on April 30th. She was a devoted christian and a live member in the H.B.A. She leaves relatives and a host of friends The funeral was attended by Rev. J. R. Cotton and J. Cockrell.

Julia McNeese, President

EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Presidents: You did the best thing in the world when you voted to come to Meridian for the next convention. It shows much fore thought on the part of our presidents. We have put to much money in this monument to not hold the first convention in it. We wish to thank the good friends of Waynesboro, who did not want to give up, but we will see them next time.

Dear Editor: H.B.A. No 257 is still alive. An annual sermon was preached by Rev L. A. Lindsay a few days ago. The house was packed from the pulpit to the door. Bro. Terrel of Salem lodge and a number of visitors were present.
Reporter.

Barnett, Miss.

Dear Editor: This comes to let the readers know that No. 257 is doing nicely. A splendid sermon on the 26th of May, together with a program, it was a treat to all. Rev. Lindsay tried himself. He is a real hustling H. B. A. We like to see him coming. A collection for the day was $25.91.

Daisy Cooly, Reporter

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

H. B. A. No. 330 at Brookhaven, Miss. reports that it is doing nicely A splendid program to-gether with a sermon was witnessed a few days ago. Rev. R. B. preached a wonderful sermon. Twelve members were added to the lodge. A collection of $26.10 was taken.

Rosa Scarbough, President.
Pearlie Smith, Secretary.

HOUSE BURNS

President R. C. McCormick of Heidelburg, Miss. Reports that sister Mary Buskin lost her house and all of her possession by fire, a few days ago. Bro. McCormick is appealing to the many friends through the columns of the Echo for some aid for this faithful old sister. Please send all donations to Mr. R. C. McCormick at Heidelburg, Miss.
The following lodges vote for the Convention to be in Meridian: A. J. Barnett No. 270, John Adams No. 393 and every body else except Mrs. M. A. Trussell, and Rev. D. H. Watson and president Harris of Waynesboro. The next convention will be at Meridian, Miss., in the H. B. A. auditorium in July.

President Isaac Moore of Macon reported eighteen new members made in this quarter. Agent Sledge reported forty-two, of Macon, Miss. Agent A. M. Walker, of Lambert, Miss., reported sixty-seven.

DELIVERS SERMON

Rev. R. L. Young was invited by the faculty and student body of M. I. College to deliver one of the commencement sermons at Hollysprings, Miss. May 26th. The commencement was one of the best in the history of the Institution. The school at Hollysprings is doing excellent work under the leadershih of President J. R. Ramsey. President Ramsey was re-elected for two years as president of M.I. College.

BOARD REPORTS

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims etc. for June

Lodge No.	amount	Back
3	49.80	
4	66.30	
20	52.50	
21	61.95	
22	41.70	
28	105.15	
30	110.55	
31	47.45	
39	75.45	
40	48.45	
42	45.75	
44	12.00	
50	36.30	
54	13.35	
56	36.85	
79	32.25	
85	75.45	
60	14.75	
93	76.80	
136	21.45	1.25
161	28.20	
163	26.85	
185	102.45	
289	13.35	
298	21.45	
204	$10.65	
192	22.80	
236	16.05	
96	64.65	1.25
100	9.30	2.17
112	52.30	
113	101.10	
114	52.05	
157	45.75	
354	14.70	
299	29.55	
305	9.30	
308	18.90	
314	9.30	
317	33.60	
324	14.70	
329	14.70	
336	20.10	
341	19.05	
358	34.95	
361	28.20	
366	16.05	
371	9.30	
376	10.65	
380	14.70	
381	20.10	
383	40.35	
389	24.15	
394	17.40	
53	41.70	
391	18.90	
176	33.60	
1	33.60	
2	53.85	
5	29.55	
9	63.30	
27	41.80	
32	33.60	
33	63.30	
47	41.80	
57	53.85	
61	14.70	
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SPLENDID BOARDS

The board that was held at Lauderdale, Miss. with J.J. Overstreet as president was a splendid success. This is a grass growning time, and yet our people turned out in large numbers. A plenty to eat and a good time was had. I saw a gallon or two of milk at Macon and Lauderdale. My how they did feed.

Now the good people of Bethel and loyal president J, C. Burton, tried to show out. Those people fed us so, and we had such a good time, that we haven't gotton over it yet. It was voted that we go back to Bethel for the September board, and later we decided we would make it at another time.

Board no.2 will meet about six miles from Poterville, Miss. Rev.J.E. Grace, president. No.3 will go to J.C. Coleman, DeKalb, Miss.,No 112.

EXTRA ASSESSMENTS

All presidents are requested to collect 25c building fee and 65c death claim from each member to be reported in the convention, that is to be held in the H.B.A office. Total to be collected from each member 90c. We had a large number of deaths that resulted in the after affects of the "Flu"and we are compelled to call on all presidents for this special assessment in order to pay for some of our dead who other wise would go over until September and the assessment would be very very high. Therefore, we are going to do our best to pay at least ten, thirteen or fourteen if we can during the convention. This matter has been taken up in all of the boards and all of the local presidents are in accord with the movement. Report blanks will be sent out to all of the presidents and you are requested to collect accordingly

NOTICE! NOTICE!

All Presidents who will attend the Convention are asked to notify the office at once. We will assign homes as you notify the office.

NOTICE

In the next issue of the Echo we are going to publish all committees that are to function in the convention. The first named person will be chairman of each committee. All persons desireing to send any resolutions or matters to any of the chairman of these committees will please forward your resolutions etc to the secretary's office and we will send same to the respective chairman. The general president is planning to close out the convention in two days. It will therefore be necessary for all delegates to be in Meridian on time. on what ever day be settled upon for the convention. This convention will be largely attended and we are asking all of the local lodges in and around Meridian to help care for this convention. It is predicted that this will be the biggest and best convention in the history of the association. We will have our regular program by which the business will be conducted. We are asking every president to please see your members and find out how many delegates they will take. Not only your members, but see your friends. This appeal is being made to all of the presidents of the City and all of the presidents, who live out of the City who can go back and forward day and night to their homes. Please do not fail.

Secretary

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Lodge No.	amounts	Back
334	$13.35	
246	5.25	
138	3. 90	
386	10.65	
359	16.05	
259	22.85	
384	6.60	
72	66.00	
19	29.55	
45	82.20	
25	36.30	
98	18.75	
338	24.15	
307	28.20	
302	10.65	
125	41.80	
135	12.00	
139	45.75	
147	12.00	
253	53.85	
395	16.05	
11	52.50	
64	80.85	
8	14.70	
24	33.60	
52	48.45	
71	57.90	
116	63.30	
118	59.25	
122	33.60	
138	3.90	
152	26.85	
167	21.45	
179	36.30	
180	10.65	
212	39.00	
237	26.85	
246	5.25	
256	20.10	$7.50
259	22.80	
261	68.70	

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TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the July convention unless other wise stated:

1 Alice Sartin No. 262, Allen Bridges, president, Jayess, Miss.

2 John Cole No. 112, J. C. Coleman, President. DeKalb, Miss.

3 Princilla Morrow, No. 195, R McCormick pres. Heidelburg, Miss.

4 Ludella Burge, No. 33, Henry Davis president. Meridian, Miss.

5 Withrow Jasper No. 82, Thos. Blakney, pres. Quitman, Miss.

6 Chirty Willams No. 9, D. B. Borders, pres. Meridian, Miss.

7 Mary Evans, No. 116 J. H. Jackson, Pres. Mt. Olive, Miss.

8 Eller William, No. 289 T. J. Thompson pres. Crawford, Mi s.

9 R. C. McCornell. No. 96 F. L. Key, pres. Porterville, Miss.

10 L. C. Mason, No. 375 P. M. Reeves, pres. McLain, Miss.

11 Ben McGrew No. 56 Mrs. Mary H. Moore, pres. Enondale, Miss.

12 Gertrude Edding, No. 341 Fannie Bennett, pres. Electric Mills, Miss.

13 Mollie Stringer No. 270 A. J. Barnett, pres. Hattiesburg, Miss.

14 Henry Skinner, No. 317 Isaac Moore, Pres. Deerbrook, Miss.

LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in this little paper to let the many readers and friends know that I am getting along fine. I started out in January 1929, and not devoting all of my time to this particular phase of work, and I have added sixty-nine new members to the Holbrook Benevolent Association. I am getting two lodges ready to send in for numbers. I could really do some real work if I only had another Agent here in the Delta to do Agency work. At the time that I was writing new members I earn $83.80 and had at the same time twenty five acres of land to work. Look out Agents I am pushing my way to the front. I visited one of my new lodges at Tunica, Miss. and they are acting like old H. B. A. s. They are all working in harmony with one another. There are quite a few who want to become member of the H. B A. The Board is coming. No. 391 is a fine place for the September Board. They have plenty to feed you all on.

Yours for the work,

A. M. WALKER, Agent

WIGGINS, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 174 have lost a faithful member, in the person of sister Racheal Fairley. She has always been a willing worker in any phase of work for the good of the order. She was a faithful member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. She was willing at any time to do her best to help carry the work on. She leaves a loving husband, father, sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

James Fairley, Pres.

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A s know, that we the members, of lodge No. 303 have lost one of our members, in the person of sister Annie May Adams. She was secretary of lodge No. 303. Not only was she faithful in her lodge, but her church as well. We will miss our dear sister. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her passing a mother, father, five brothers, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Lovenis Blakney, Reporter.

TUNICA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are few in membership, but are doing real H. B. A. work. We are looking for the September Board to convene in Tunica, Miss. I am sure the General Body will do a lot of good by meeting here in Tunica. We have a lot of people here, who want to see you all transact business. Pray for our success.

Rosie Bell, president. No. 391

MAXIE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo in order that our lodge may have something to say concerning our progress. We are working in harmony. We have a few knockers, but we are trying to over come these few by goodness. knockers don't win and winners don't knock therefore my lodge is hitting on. 4. why? because I have added to my lodge a Juvenile Department. I am trying to boost my lodge by putting everything that pertain to this Grand Order of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. Now dear presidents you who have not got a juvenile department in your lodge, please don't stop until you have organized a juvenile in your lodge. Pray that we might have a continous success

Nollie Alfred, President. No. 219.

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No.	amount	Back
209	$10.65	
213	103.80	
215	40.35	
217	20.10	
218	25.30	
221	25.30	
223	12.00	
365	16.05	
307	21.45	
224	63.30	
228	18.75	
230	43.05	
231	55.20	
233	25.30	
234	7.95	
239	74.10	
242	36.30	$1.25
247	21.45	
248	30.90	
249	44.40	
251	37.65	
252	13.35	
257	30.90	
260	20.10	
264	16.05	
267	39.00	
268	6.60	
269	44.40	
272	2.55	
278	33.60	
279	10.65	
280	21.45	2.55
285	34.95	
286	36.95	
287	30.90	
288	29.55	
290	53.85	
292	18.75	2.50
294	12.00	
296	25.50	
300	14.70	1.35
301	74.10	
303	28.20	
311	7.95	
315	20.10	
316	26.85	
319	16.05	
323	7.95	
333	16.05	
337	32.25	
338	9.30	
340	20.10	
344	20.10	
345	36.30	
348	22.80	
355	13.35	
364	17.40	
378	16.05	8.75
682	12.00	
390	26.85	
393	20.10	
266	21.45	
205	18.75	
357	30.90	
367	24.15	
220	22.80	
360	8.10	
235	17.40	
213	103.80	
173	43.05	
127	111.90	
269	44.40	5.00
292	18.75	2.50
280	21.45	2.55
130	63.10	8.95
230	43.05	

NOTICE

Dear President: The GoodWill Printing Co. is mailing out your orders for Stationery as fast as possible. Don't be on easy Street you are next.

CLAIMS PAID

We paid $220.00 to each claimant in the last Board. All checks have been sent out.

Secretary.

SPLENDID BOARD COLLECTION

According to the reports that have already reached the office, we collected $10,250.00 in the last Boards on all claims. Hurrah for the H. B A. s. We urge every local president to make a round report for each member of his lodge. Every president, who is able to make a round report for every member of his lodge will be given a free dinner Tuesday July 23rd, at one of the best resturants, not only in Meridian, but in the State of Mississippi. Each president who wins this dinner will have his or her name published through the Echo The president can not win this dinner alone, but it will take true and loyal members of a lodge to do this big thing. Look out boys it is up to you at the convention.

Secretary.

NOTICE

Dear Presidents: This is to certify that all Convention blanks have been sent out to the presidents. If any of you failed to get your report blank and a notice to collect 90 cents from each member, please notify the office at once. R. L. Young.

CONVENTION

All reports will be taken in by 12 o'clock Monday 22, We will check up on each president to see as to whether all members are reporting.

E. F. Young.

DEATH

Mrs. H. E. Irby of H. B. A. No. 1. died June 25th. Mrs. Nettie Young (Brewster) daughter of Rev. E. F. Young's died June 27th.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I just completed a lodge of which I have organized with twenty five members.

Esau Sledge, Agent.

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LAUREL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the other members of this Grand order know that lodge No. 275 is doing nicely. We had a wonderful program on June 15th. Our drive was a success. we all witnessed a wonderful time. Rev. Brown delivered the address for the hour. we the members of lodge No 275. desire the prayers of the General body.

REV. J. H. Welch
PRESIDENT

ATTENTION DELEGATES

The H. B. A. Convention is going to be largely attended. We have practically four hundred delegates, who are eligible to the convention. For this reason we will only be responsible for one delegate from each local lodge. All other persons attending the convention must absolutely look out for themselves.

E. F. Young, General Pres.

TENTATIVE

The following committees are hereby appointed to serve during the convention:

1 Religious exercise I. English, E. F. Young, Sr., Rev. J. H. Hinton.

2 Enrollment of delegates A. J. Barnett, Prof. J. J. Pickett.

3 Roll Call by the General Sec.

4 The Committee on finance Prof. A. T. Shadwick, W. C. McLeod.

5 Committee on temperance, Rev. Lindsay, Rev. M. S. Knott, J.M Russell, Mrs Bettie Faulkner, F.L. Key, Mrs Mattie Nicholson, Prof W.A. Pickett.

6- Committee on District- Rev. H. Ray, A. M. Walker, Rev. A. L. Thomas, Rev. C.L. Pringle, J.G. Gulley, Esau Sledge, T. J. McWilliams, C.M. Mayfield, D. H. Watson.

7-Committee on resolutions and revision of Constitution W.J. Rankins, R.L. Young, F.Ott, M.V. B. Pitts J. M. Thompson, D.B. Borders, I. M. Martin, J.F. Chapel, Mrs Ella Morrell, Mrs. Hattie Smith, R.W. Radcliff, E. W. Washington, H. Edwards. Committee on time and place:

I. English, W. L. McDade, W.J. Tate, J.M. Martin, Johnie Cole, Mrs. Carry Jury, Matthew Powell, E.F. Young, Jr. Rev. L.V. Blunt, V.M. Marshall, Derias Croft.

Committee on Orbituries Rev. G. C. Wells ,Mrs. Ella Thorton, Rev. W. T. Smith, A. G. Kennedy, Mrs. Eva Sumrall, I.V. Jordan, B. J. Tatum, Isaac Moore, Rev. R. Jones.

Committee on General Annual address A. J. Barrett, Rev. A.L Longmire, J.C. Coleman. C.A. Neely, W. M. King, Mrs. E.A.B. Harper, Rev. T.J. Newkirk.

Committee on General Secretary's treasure report-prof. Thos. Blankney M.V.B. Pitts, Prof. A.T. Shadwick.

Committee on General local agents Clem Brown, Mrs Sophronia, Jones, Prof. H. J. Greene, G. W. Sterling, Robert Cooley, C. M. Myers Asa Walker, Budford Hathron, M. S. Knott.

The first named person in each committee will be chairman of said committee. If in the event the chairman on any of these committees is absent we will appoint a chairman. If any members of these committees are not present at the roll call we will appoint other members. The Convention will open at 10.00 o'clock sharp for business. The religious exercise will be conducted beginning at 9:30 Rev. M. S. Knott General Chaplain, assisted by Rev. H. Ray, G. W. Sterling and others.

We will begin calling the roll at 10:00 o'clock. All person failing to answer to the roll call will pay the usual fine.

E. F. Young, General Pres.
R. L. Young, General Sec.

NOTICE

The back money that we have collected from the members, who went out during the split in 1924 will de paid in the convention. All presidents, who had deceased members in their lodges in 1924, in Districts 1-2 will receive back money.

General Secretary.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims etc.

No.	amount	Back
160	$41.70	
198	51.15	
219	37.65	
226	33.60	
232	28.20	
245	21.45	$1.25
258	25.30	
262	20.10	
270	110.55	
277	70.05	
281	21.45	
293	21.45	
306	45.75	
309	17.40	
326	79.50	
330	14.70	
331	33.60	
347	26.85	
352	18.75	1.25
353	24.15	
362	20.10	
370	28.20	
373	17.40	
62	5.25	
55	40.35	
58	43.25	
66	13.35	12.35
75	51.15	
76	14.70	2.50
80	57.90	
77	40.35	
99	25.30	
103	12.00	
109	18.75	
82	101.10	
84	16.05	
92	91.65	
94	35.00	
95	71.40	
111	7.95	2.50
121	33.60	
119	97.05	
127	111.70	
130	62.30	3.95
131	40.35	
132	39.00	
67	53.85	
133	118.65	
141	39.00	
146	43.05	
148	30.90	
145	109.20	
151	37.65	
153	55.20	
158	4.05	
159	14.70	1.00
163	24.80	3.05
165	47.10	
174	14.70	
178	12.00	
181	52.30	
183	9.30	
189	66.00	
190	106.50	
193	29.55	
194	67.00	5.00
195	57.90	
196	53.85	
199	28.20	
200	33.60	
201	41.70	
202	21.45	
207	37.65	

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LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 31 is doing nicely. We are all working in harmony in order to make our lodge the best in the State. The members of lodge No. 31 are of one accord. We are all growing new feathers, because we are expected to fly in the near future Pray that we might continue to grow. Mrs. Vallie Thortor, President.

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

No Constitutions will be available until after the Convention.

R. L. Y.

IMPORTANT

Rev. G. E. Williams, former vice president of the H. B. A., and some of his friends split the association. We had twenty one deaths in districts 1-2. Some of the members went to the C. B. A., and failed to pay the $1.50 that was due in the September Board 1924. Since that time, we have had some of our people coming back paying up the $1.50, and we have a very nice little sum on hand that we have collected up to now for the following persons, who died in 1924. and are to receive money in the July Convention:

Pat Croft No. 125; Sam Payton, No. 35; Jessie Miller, No. 33; J. R. Roach, No, 65; Augusta McDonald, No. 15; Andrew Brown, No. 91; Ross Chatman, No. 30; C. R. Bratley, No. 61: Luddie Dartin, No. 40; Mary Scott, No. 68; W. B. Henderson, No. 61; George Terry, No. 32; Henry Alston, No. 33; Rebecca Weshand No. 9; Hannah Brantley, No. 59; Nathaniel Pitts, No. 60; Pete mosley, No. 39; Annie Reed, No. 36; James Johnson, No. 8; Rev. R. L. Brooks, No. 139; Hettie Bell Irby, No. 33.

PACHUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 242 are doing nicely. We had our annual sermon preached Sunday June 30th by Rev. C. W. Dubouse. A nice little collection of $25.67 was taken up. We have five applications for membership on file.

A. L. Williams, Pres.

DR. LAWRENCE F. BROOKS IN OFFICE BUILDING

It may be of interest of H. B. A. s all over the State to know that we heave a new doctor, in person of Dr. Lawrence F. Brooks, in our new office Building. Dr. Brooks is at home in Meridian. His father at one time being principel of the Meridian Institute. Dr. Brooks has had about fifteen years of experience in Sedalia, Mo. He and his loving wife, together with three little girls are now back in Meridian to serve his many many friends. He comes as a friend to all; he comes to serve you who want his service; he does not come with the thought of rendering service to the H. B. A. s alone, but with a broad heart and a big brother, he comes to serve his people. We are glad to introduce to the H. B. A. members and our many friend Dr. Lawrence F. Brooks, who is every ready to serve you.

Secretary

SHUQUALAK, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 93. We the members of No. 93 are doing nicely. We meet regularly with most of the members present. We are expecting the grandest time in the history of the H. B. A. at the September Board W. L. Gillespie, Pres.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims etc.

No.	Amount
396	$24.15
179	36.30

REVIVAL

The Rev. J. E. Buford of Corinth, Miss. is in the City conducting the revival for Rev. R L. Young. It is reported that splendid service is being held each night and the people are coming in great throngs to hear this wonderful preacher. He is one of the best evangelists in the C. M. E. Conference. The meeting will close Friday night July 19th. Come and hear this gospel preacher.

DEKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 113 are doing nicely. We had our anniversary sermon preached Sunday June 30th. We were honored with having two distinguished preachers with us. The Rev. A. L. Bohanan, pastor of New Hope M. E. church, Dekalb, Miss., and Rev. Hawkins pastor of Haven Chapel M. E. church Meridian, Miss.

The anniversary sermon was preached by Rev. A. L Bohanan. a nice collection of $83.00 was raised. A Wonderful program was rendered after which we adjourned for dinner.

Mrs. Hattie Campbell Reporter

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Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 9 are doing nicely. On Saturday June 22, 1929, the death angel came and summoned one of our loyal H.B. A. members, in the person of Mrs. Gamie Pringle, to her celestial home. We will miss our dear mother, there is no one to fill her place in our lodge. Mrs. Pringle was a loyal member and willing worker. She was loved by all who knew her She leaves to mourn her passing a husband. two daughters three grand daughters, several great grand children, and a host of relatives and friends.

A precious one from us has parted"
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our lodge;
Which never can be filled."

C. L. Borders, Reporter.
D. B. Borders, President

WHYNOT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 5 are doing nicely. we were blessed to have Bro. McWilliams, Rev. M. S. Knott and Prof. A. M. Smith with us and each made a wonderful talk in behalf of the H. B. A. We were glad to have them with us.

L. M. James, Secretary

ELLISVILLE, MISS.

Program For the H. B. A. Board June 13th.

Song.....Holy, Holy, Holy.
Prayer.....Mrs. Bettie Faulkner Supt.
Song.....Will you come
Welcome address..... Rev. P. A. Taylor, Pastor
Quartett.....”Big Four”
Paper.....Miss. Retha May Mudy
Solo.....Mrs. Flora Simpson
Paper ..... ”Welcome” Myrtle Highland
Quartett.... ”Big Four” Pleasant Grove
Paper....Miss. Annie B. Simpson

Paper Mrs. Gaines .....Welcome
Reading..... J. D. Delk.
Dr. A. J. Carter, ...address
Lawyer.....J. T. Taylor, Address
Song.....Hasting away

Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, President

WAYNESBORO. MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 194 is yet alive, and moving along smoothly. We are all working in harmony we lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Bro. John Parris. Brother Parris died May 16th. He was a faithful member in his lodge and his church as well. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain.

C. W. McLaughlin, President

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of H. B. A. lodge No. 222 are doing nicely. The H. B. A. has proven to the entire race that it is no failure. It has helped so many poor folks. It makes us love one another more than we would if it were not an H. B. A. Pray that we might continue to do good.

Allin Woodard, reporter.

NOTICE

Any president, who fails to report a deceased member of his lodge and return an official report blank for said deceased member to the office within five days will be fined $1.00.

Secretary

TUNICA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to say a few words through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 381 are doing nicely. We are please do know and hear of the splendid work that our brother and Agent A. M. Walker is doing. Bro. J. M. Martin is also doing real H. B. A. work. We wish for them a continued success. We need more Walkers and Martins in this section of the county.

Mrs. Rosie Bell, Reporter.

The following lodges failed to report Dues and Death Claims for the June Board:

Lodge No. 168, Allen Taylor, President. Heidelburg, Miss.
Lodge No. 349, Frank Cole, President Newton, Miss.
Lodge No. 351, J. H. Cole, President. Hickory, Miss.
Lodge No. 372 Rev. S. L. Expose, President. Mize, Miss.
Lodge 375, P. M. Reeves, President. McLain, Miss.
Lodge No. 387, U. C. Townsend, President. Lambert, Miss.
Lodge No. 388, J. P. Jackson, Pres. Lambert, Miss.
Lodge No. 392, M. A. Lindsay, Pres. Laurel, Miss.

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ENTERPRISE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 247 are doing nicely. We made two new members in our last meeting. We are small in membership, but we are holding our own. The lord has been good to us, whereas we are glad. We are planning to visit the convention.

Yours for the better of the H.B.A

J.R. JORDAN

KEWANEE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in your wonderful little paper to let the many readers know that we laid to rest a few days ago, one of the pillars of the H. B. A. in the person of Mrs. Henretta Irby. Sister Irby was blessed to live between the age of seventy five and eighty years of age. She was faithful until death. On her death bed, she requested that her body be kept out until the coming Sunday and that her funeral be preached by the Rev. H. Larkin, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church. Her funeral was attended from the Pleasant Grove Methodist Church. Among the many friends, who spoke of her life were: Revs. E.F. Young, R. L. Young. Messrs I. M. Martin, Pres. of H. B. A. No. 1. , L. B. Brewster, R. L. Morton, Mrs. Hummie Dunnigan, Directress of the Woman Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the second District. The many friends of Brother J. J. Johnson, Pres. of lodge No. 4. will be glad to know that bro. Johnson is doing as well as could be expected. Brother Johnson had a stroke on the 23rd of June enroute to see his daughter, Mrs. Sarah White of Kewanee, Miss. He was traveling alone in his buggy, when he was stricken with a stroke. and the good Lord took care of him, until he reached home.

Hummie O Dunnigan, Sec. No. 4.

DeKALB, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that we the members of lodge No. 113 are doing nicely. The many friends of Bro. Lawrence Brown will be glad to know that he is doing as well as can be expected. On last week Bro. Brown's mule ran away and bruised him up so much so that he is unable to do his farm work. The kind members of the H. B. A. are going to work his farm until he is able to work it himself. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

Parlee Neeley, Reporter.

MENDENHALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 167 is getting along nicely. The death angle came and summoned one of our dear H. B. A. members, in the person of sister Lena Hayes. She was a willing worker and a faithful member. Her church will miss her. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain.

C. S. Williams, Pres.

PROGRAM FOR THE H. B. A. CONVENTION

H. B. A. Auditorium, Monday July 22, 1929

9:00 a. m. Religious exercise by Rev. M. S. Knott

9:30 Sermon by Rev. H. Ray

10:00 o'clock Roll Call with each president making his report.

There will be five committees appointed to take in financial reports. All reports must be taken in by 12:00 o'clock

1:00 Adjournment for dinner.

2:00 o'cock reports of all General Officers and Agents.

3:30 o'clock all committees will meet in committee Hall.

4:30 o'clock committees will meet in convention Hall.

6:00 o'clock adjournment

7:30 Re assemble for local program. Special music and speaking. Remarks by the General President.

Adjournment.

SECOND NOTICE

To the presidents: We will only take care of one delegate from each local lodge. If you bring your members, your wife, or friends you will be compelled to defray the expense of said persons. The delegation will be very heavy, and since we are not charging for those of you, who are delegates of local lodges, we want to ask each local president to see to it; that your local lodge gives you some extra money in order that you may be able to make a liberal contribution to the land ladies with whom you stop. It has not been our custom to pay board any where we go, but we have always left a nice donation in the hands of the house wives with whom we stoped. In fact some of us donate more than would be really charged.

Secretary.

NEWTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo in order that our lodge No. 292 may have a few words to say. We are all working in harmony with one another. We are like the new ford, hitting on six, that is, all of my members are working. The members of lodge No. 292 are all of one accord. I am expecting to attend the convention. Hoping that we will have a successful time. Pray that we might have a continued success.

E. L. Hill, President.

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Secretary.

PACHUTA, MISS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 286 are doing nicely. We had our anniversary sermon preached on the first Sunday in July by Rev. Ed McLemore. He preached a wonderful sermon. We raised $17.50 and took in eight members. We also were honored with having Prof. Thos. Blakney present.

Mrs. Eva Sumrall, president.

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NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

The claimants that are to be paid off in the Convention have been published through the Echo. Please do not write to the office asking that we pay your claim. You need not suggest to us the help it will be to pay your claim. If it were possible we would do so. We are taking the claims in order of dates of deaths. How do you expect to pay twenty five or thirty deaths out of 65 cents Death Claims.? If we would pay according to some of your suggestions you would get about $100.00, one hundred dollars, May I say frankly, that if you will just wait we will take care of you as soon as possible. I think the office can run the payment of claims a bit better than the presidents and members, who have deceased members.

General Secretary.

LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 54 have lost a faithful member in the person of sister Sarah Seal. Sister Seal was a faithful member in her lodge.

B. J. Morrison, President.

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STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your Echo to let the many readers know that we have lost our dear president, Mr. Sam McCann. Mr. McCann departed this life July 17th leaving a loving wife, four daughters, one son, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing. He was deacon of Mt. Olive Baptist Church for many many years and superintendent of his Sunday School for twenty five years. Mr. McCann was a faithful Christian. Lodge No. 30 has lost a real friend and president. We are trusting that our lost is heaven's gain.

Minnie McCann, Reporter.

DENTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know we the members of lodge No. 387, at Denton, Miss., are doing nicely. We are free from all doctor bills. We are working to make our lodge one of the best lodges in this section. We are planning to have a big time in this section in the September Board. We have twenty one members in good standing.

Rev. U. C. Townsiend, Pres.

MAXIE, MISS:

Dear Rev. Young: I am writing you concerning lodge No. 226. I collected my convention fee from the members of our lodge on the 18th of this month and on the 19th of the same month my house was robbed of all the money in my posession. Therefore, I am in an bad condition financially.

I am asking you in the behalf of my lodge and my self to hold us financially with the Grand Body for sixty days as we feel that this will give ample time to raise the lost sum of $33.30.

Very respectfully yours,
Budford, Hathorn, Pres.

MAXIE, MISS.

Dear Editor: This is to let you know that I have been confined to my bed for fifteen days and will not be able to attend the convention, but I want to be there. I am praying that the Lord will bless us to have a great convention. Please pray that I might soon recover. I have organized three lodges in my section of the State.

REV. A. L. THOMAS, Agent

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 253 are doing nicely On our last meeting night we made two new members. The members of lodge No. 253 are all working in harmony. We are striving to make our lodge one of the biggest and best lodges in the State. We have one member on the sick list, in the person of Miss Lillian Larkin, but she is doing nicely. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Reporter.

COMPLETE, MISS,

Dear Rve. Young: Allow me space in your wonderful little paper to say to the many readers, that we the members of lodge No. 70 are doing fine. We are planning to have our anniversary sermon preached on the fourth Sunday in this month. The members are all in love and peace. Our lodge is growing in membership. we ask that you pray that we might continue to grow.

L. V BLUNT, President.
Reporter.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, we the members of lodge No. 190 are getting along nicely. We had our anniversary sermon the 14th, of July, which was preached by Rev. H. Ray, he used for a subject. Time All of our hearts were made to feel good. After the sermon had been preached we had a loving hand shake, God was in the meeting. We raised the sum of $24.15, and was able to enroll 35 new mebmers. We are all looking for the September board. Chicken are in the house cackling telling you all to come on Hogs, goats and sheep are all taking a part in the preparation of the September board. Come on to Waynesboro we are looking for you all. Pray that we might continue to grow in membership.

D. L. HARRIS, President,

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 161 has lost a member in the person of sister L. C. Cockrell. This is the first member we have lost by death since we have been organized. Sister Cockrell is going to be missed. She was loved by all. We are hoping to meet her in that great morning, for we feel our lost is heaven,s gain.

Ames Johnson, Reporter.

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COMPOSED BY D. B. BODERS, PRESIDENT,
Of Lodge No. 9, Meridian, Miss.

I have come upon the scene in a weak and stammering way;
To tell you what I think I know about the H. B. A.;
Just leave it to the General President and his son Roy to say;
And they will guide the destiny of the H. B. A.

We have a splendid building here;
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But there is nothing can do;
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This house was built by the colored men;
And some of the best they say;
Were employed to do the work for the H. B. A.
You could see them as they were coming and going day by day;
Hurrying and speeding up the home of the H. B. A.
Robert Berkley and Jesse Payne;
Always looking gay;
And seeing that the work was being done on the home of the H. B. A.
They are good contractors;
And splendid builders they say;
We know that they have put up a job on the home of the H. B. A.
Now dear friends, please excuse me for I have no more to say,
But rest assure while you are sitting;
That you are in the home of the H. B. A.

"Lord hasting the time
And blest the day;
When all the colored folks:
Will be H. B. A. s."

Perkinston, Miss.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 377 are doing nicely. We are not very large in membership but are doing real H.B.A. work. We have two applications on file. We have lost four of our members, but they have just moved to other places. It leaves a membership of thirteen. Pray that we may continue to press forward.

Pete Bang, President

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Death Claim and Building in the July Convention:

No.	Amount	Back
146	21.40	
147	17.10	
148	16.20	
151	28.80	
152	18.90	
153	36.00	
157	28.80	
158	.90	
159	8.10	
160	28.80	
161	18.00	
163	12.60	
165	36.00	
166	11.70	
167	15.30	
168	4.50	
173	12.60	
174	11.70	
176	22.50	
178	6.30	
180	6.30	
181	27.00	
183	6.30	
185	61.20	
189	30.60	
190	68 40	
192	18.00	
193	22.50	
194	32.40	
195	39.60	
196	34.20	
198	28.80	
199	18.00	
200	22.50	
203	5.40	
204	4.50	
205	11.70	
207	25.20	
209	6.30	
210	7.20	
212	27.00	
213	76.50	
214	3.60	
215	19.80	
217	11.70	
218	17.10	
219	19.80	
220	8.10	
221	16.20	
222	18.00	
223	14.40	
224	45.90	
228	12.60	
230	28.80	
231	38.40	
232	14.40	
233	17.10	
234	5.40	
235	18.00	
236	10.80	
237	18.90	
239	50.40	
242	23.40	
245	16.20	
246	3.60	
247	14.40	
249	38.70	
251	25.20	
252	8.10	
253	59.40	
254	9.90	
256	12.60	
257	27.90	
258	12.60	
259	19.80	
263	16.20	
264	9.00	
266	14.40	
267	26.10	
268	4.50	
269	23.40	
270	81.90	
272	1.80	

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CRANDALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers and friends of the Echo know that we the members of lodge No. 123 and the many friends near and far regret very much to learn of the death of our dear friend Bro. M. H. Donald. Bro. Donald fell dead at his plow five miles North of here. It was quite a sadness to the whole community, as he was a loyal citizen and had lived there all of his life, fifty years. Bro. Donald leaves a wife, three children, seven brothers, two sisters, five grand children and many friends to mourn his death. He was a faithful husband, father and a friend to his community.

Lodge No. 123 is doing nicely. The president gave the lodge $12.50 that she made from selling little refreshments. The lodge offered a resolution of thanks to the president of the lodge. The lodge regrets very much to loose the presence of sister Nancy Jones and son, who have moved to Ohio, and Bro. L. C. Campbell and wife who have moved to Detroit, Michigan.

The Sunday School Convention will convene here August 15th. Quite a few want to know if Rev. E. F. Young is going to be presnt. A few days ago I was lost in Meridian and I happen to look up and noticed the sign Holbrook Benevolent Association which notified me readily that I was on fifth Street. After going in and looking over the building, I was really surprised to find things as they really are. That H. B. A. Building is a beauty to behold. The Secretary was very nice to carry me around to look over the building.

Booster.

McLEOD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns on the Echo to let the many readers of this wonderful little paper know that we the members of lodge No. 389 lost a faithful member and a willing worker in the person of Bro. Johnnie Shanklin.

R. S. Peterson, President.

PERKINSTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 377 are doing nicely. Our membership is continually growing. We have been organized ever since November 1928 and we thank the Lord we have not lost a member by death. My determination is to work for the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

Pete Bang, President.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to express myself relative to the convention, and that great Building of ours. It is a treat indeed to just see what a race of people can do when they unite themselves together. I see no hill and no obstacles on the rail. As long as we remain together as Lot said to Abraham "Let no devision between for we are brothers". Just to see that H. B. A. Building will inspire all H. B. A. s to launch out in the deep and anchor down to remain a true H. B. A. "Two hundred new members" is my motto by the next convention.

A. J. Barnett, President.

BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me a small space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 23 has lost one of it pillars, in the person of Aaron Mikel. He was one of our oldest members, in the lodge and was one of the members, who worked on the sick committee since its beginning. He was a good citizen and a faithful member. He leaves a father, mother, eight children, two brothers and one sister to mourn his passing.

J. M. Thompson, President.

NOTICE

H. B. A. badges on sale for 60 cents each for the next sixty days.

R. L. Y.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Death Claim and Building in the July Convention:

No.	Amount	Back
1	$25.20	
2	36.00	
3	26.10	
4	41.40	
5	20.70	
8	9.90	
9	35.10	
11	35.10	
18	9.90	
19	18.00	
20	33.30	
21	45.90	
22	27.90	
23	70.20	
25	21.60	
27	30.60	
28	63.90	
30	58.50	
31	30.60	
32	20.70	
33	38.70	
39	47.70	
40	29.70	
42	26.70	
45	39.60	
47	31.50	
49	19.80	
50	20.70	
52	23.40	
53	27.00	
54	10.80	
55	21.60	
56	18.90	
57	95.40	
58	25.80	
60	9.90	
61	8.10	
62	3.60	
63	18.00	
64	50.40	
65	3.60	
66	9.90	
67	31.50	
69	58.50	
70	52.20	
71	32.40	
72	23.40	
74	17.10	
75	28.80	
77	20.70	
79	21.60	
80	37.80	
82	63.00	
84	9.00	
85	44.10	
92	55.80	
93	51.30	
94	27.00	
95	26.10	
96	41.40	
99	17.10	
98	7.30	
100	6.30	
102	108.00	$4.05
103	11.70	
105	16.20	
108	47.79	
109	12.60	
110	32.40	
111	6.30	
112	36.00	
113	67.50	
114	43.20	5.40
115	24.30	
116	36.00	
118	30.60	
119	54.90	
120	9.00	
121	20.70	
122	21.60	
123	46.80	
125	36.90	
127	87.30	
130	36.00	1.35
132	20.70	
133	48.60	
135	5.40	
136	8.10	
139	36.00	
141	23.40	
145	67.50	
260	13.50	
261	48.60	

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HATTIESBNRG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Ech to say a few things about the H. B. A. Building, the last convention and lodge No. 237 at Sumrall, Miss. I can say, that we had a convention in our new Building second to none. The General Secretary and General President deserve much credit in the way and manner of handling the affairs of this association. Meridian should be congratulated upon the splendid record; also the General President, General Secretary and the local presidents in and near Meridian for putting the program over.

Now, I am praying that peace and harmony might prevail in this association. I am in the office of the General Secretary very often and he is a man among men. Now if we can keep the good spirit with the general officers, the devil can-not do us any harm. So cheer up! and let us go forward. Now, about those loyal members of lodge No. 237 of Sumrall, we have been organized three years and six months, and we have not had a death since our organization. So Bro. Secretary, we are real careful, and my members love me and respect me. And we are moving along nicely. Altho I have been moved to Hattiesburg, Miss., but I am yet seeing after the lodge, in order that the H. B. A. might live.

Yours for the order,
Rev. G. C. Wells, President.

ELLISVILLE, MISS.

The Meridian District Sunday School Convention was held in Mt. Nebo A. M. E. Church, August 15, 1929. The following officers were elected:

Miss Lanora Bonner, Secretary; Miss Erlean Hearsey, asst. Secretary; D. L. Donald, Reporter and Marshall.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. S. L. Donald, which was enjoyed by all present. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. D. W. Thompson, Pastor of Quitman Circuit. The sermon was a treat to all who heard it. Mrs. M. B. Thomas won 1st. prize as Sunday School teacher. Mrs. E. D. Wilson received [illegible] second prize. Miss Amanda [illegible] won 1st prize on an essay. She also won a scholarship to Campbell College.

Dr. Davis made a strong appeal for members, none came. Bishop, and Dr. Johnson made strong appeals for Campbell College. Dr. Johnson requested all to pray for the Bishop, that he might be able to continue and meet the demands to uplift the people. The convention was very successful. Ten prizes were awarded.

Eula C. Donald, Reporter.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we lost one of our faithful members, Brother willis Dawson departed this life the 23rd, day of July, leaving a loving wife, two daughters, four sons and a host of relatives to mourn his passing.

Mrs. S. M. Jackson, Pres.
Mrs. J. Parker, Sec.

Mrs. Vera Hunter Macon,
McLeod, Miss.
Dear Madam:

I have received your letter of August 26th stating that you want the $2.00 policy and Bond fee that I have to your credit in the office returned to you.

Mrs. Macon, if you will kindly return the application that I mailed to you to be filled out I will gladly return the $2.00.

General Sec'y.

Dear Sir: Your applications blanks are too hard to fill correctly, I don't care to be bothered with them so please return the $2.00.

Mrs. Vera Hunter Macon.

MACON MISS.

Yes Mrs Hunter, we should have had these kind of application blanks all the time. The questions are not hard to answer, it is an easy matter to say yes or no. Oh yes it may hurt to tell the truth and for that cause some people don't like to talk.

General Sec'y.

Dear Presidents:

I wish to take this method in thanking you for the way that you all have stood by me in the sale of my stones and monuments in the June Board. Almost all of the relatives of the deceased purchased a stone. I had a few who failed to get their stones, but I hope that in this Sept. Board every Pres. will see the relatives of the deceased and bring their orders to the H. B. A. Board.

R. W. Young, Agent.

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Secretary.

EX-SLAVES MOVEMENT

To the old slaves in the State of Mississippi and to whom this may concern. A movement is now in progress to home and care for all the old slaves in the State who desire to enter. A large track of land valued at thirty thousand or more dollars just out side of the City limits of Jackson, Miss., has been donated; giving a beautiful over sight of the City. More than fifty thousand bricks, bbls. of lime, sacks of cement, tiling, nails, lumber and plenty of other building material are now in hand, the foundation of a receiving home and other buildings are under erection. Tuesday Oct. 1, 1929, is registration day and slaves assemblege.

As many as can come to Jackson that day to inspect the work and register, will be expected. All who can not come send in your names, when, where born, and, your present P. O. address. We want an accurate census of all the ex-slaves in the State of Miss. You might begin now sending information desired to Mrs. Letty C. Young, Sec'y. Gowdy, Miss. or to Rev. J. W. Byrd, Box 258 Brooksville, Miss.

Don't forget the date and place of meeting on the ex-slaves ground Jackson, Miss., Tuesday Oct. 1, some of the leading orators of this country both white and colored will speak to the occasion.

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Mrs. L. W. Ward, President.
Mrs Jinnie Smith, Chairman of executive board.
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Now, I am praying that peace and harmony might prevail in this association. I am in the office of the General Secretary very often and he is a man among men. Now if we can keep the good spirit with the general officers, the devil can-not do us any harm. So cheer up! and let us go forward. Now, about those loyal members of lodge No. 237 of Sumrall, we have been organized three years and six months, and we have not had a death since our organization. So Bro. Secretary, we are real careful, and my members love me and respect me. And we are moving along nicely. Altho I have been moved to Hattiesburg, Miss., but I am yet seeing after the lodge, in order that the H. B. A. might live.

Yours for the order,

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Miss Lanora Bonner, Secretary; Miss Erlean Hearsey, asst. Secretary; D. L. Donald, Reporter and Marshall.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. S. L. Donald, which was enjoyed by all present. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. D. W. Thompson, Pastor of Quitman Circuit. The sermon was a treat to all who heard it. Mrs. M. B. Thomas won 1st. prize as Sunday School teacher. Mrs. E. D. Wilson received th second prize. Miss Amanda Smith won 1st prize on an essay. She also won a scholarship to Campbell College.

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General Sec'y.

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Pete Bang, Pres.

Dekalb, Miss.

Dear Editor: Will you give space in the Echo to let the many readers of the Echo know that Lodge No. 85 is getting along fine. We have 53 members in good standing. One hundred dollars laying up in the Dekalb, Bank for our members for Dr. Bills. Massadonia will have her Anniversary Sermon Sunday October 13th. 1929. All H. B. A.'s are cordially invited to come over and take a part in the meeting. The Sermon will be taken care of by Rev. E. F. Young, The General President.

W. L. McDade, Reporter.

Lumberton, Miss.

Rev. R. L. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that Sim lodge No120 is not dead. Though some of our members are moving to and fro but they are still alive in lodge No. 120, and when we go down from this place lodge No. 120 will still be alive. Pray for the Poor Man's Friend, the H. B. A.

Hesta Netles, Reporter.

Dr. L. F. Brooks, (Continued from last issue.)

While good health is the desired goal of every sane person, it is amazing and almost alarming to note what a small percentage of the vast population of our Country an other countries, as well enjoy normal physical health. Normal health denotes that the heart is breathing from sixty-four to seventy-four times per minute and that each beat is regular and free from pain and defect, thus sending the life giving and sustaining red blood to every part of the body; that the lungs are inspanding and expanding from eighteen to twenty times per minutes, taking in pure air to sweeten and to re-enforce the blood with oxygen and throwing off deadly waste matter collected from the blood; that the brain power is functioning without pain or depression, sending out and receiving messages over the great new work of nerves. And there are only a few essentials in the progress of normal physical health.

When we gaze into the depths of the sky and there behold the sun, the moon and lesser heavenly bodies, we are impressed with the presence of law and order, that they were not scattered in a loose and careless manner is an evident fact, and, we are further convinced that they obey the law of creation. The same is true of the vegetable and lower animal world but when we come to man, the crowning point of all Creation, we come face to face with the undeniable and why this should be is a puzzle yet to be unraveled and because of this bold disregard for the laws of nature, man's body must suffer from aches and pains and diseases of mankind. The laws of nature are fixed. She demands that we obey them. She makes no allowance because of beauty or wealth or age or color. Every knee must bend at her command if we would have health. Then health is the result of obedience, disease that of disobedience.

To Be Continued.

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EDITORIAL

Our Wives Can Do Us Harm As Well As They Can Do Us Good

A recent experience in our H. B. A. Board at New Augusta, Miss., Sept. 23rd. has given place for considerable thought by the writer of this article. It is always my motto to keep a cool head and a warm heart, and, yet there are times that we are imposed upon so much so that we have to speak out. But somehow or other we were able to control ourselves, in a cool and deliberate manner, at this particular meeting. The writer read some letters in each Board relative to one of our General Officers. When the time had come to read the same letters at New Augusta, the General Officer being present, objected to the letters being read. After a cool and deliberate explanation by the General Officer involved, the General President asked that the writer not read the letters, but give the General Officer the total amount of the money that was involved. The writer having this at hand began to obey orders. It's the opinion of the writer that the Officer involved thought that the amount could not be given at that particular time. In a short while, we had more than $500.00 added up and passed to this officer. We were thrashing the matter out in somewhat of a deliberate manner, but the wife of this General officer got besides herself, so much so that it has caused me to write this editorial. The Officer to whom I refer is my friend and brother, Rev. I. C. Harper, and, the wife to whom I refer is Mrs. E. A. B. Harper Mrs. Harper called the writer everything from a low down rascal to a nasty, dirty liar. I was telling one of my good friends about how low down she placed me, and he replied that he was a christian and he felt that if the lie had been placed upon him, business would have picked up. He asked me; what did I do? I told him nothing. He asked again; what did you say? I told him that I kept cool and raised a bunch of letters that I had, and said madam, I hope these letters are not lies. But that is away from the subject, I believe that whenever a man is before the general public discussing matters of importance, especially when he is involved; that the best thing for his wife to do is to s quiet and have nothing to say. If she does that, she can easily gain the sympathy and respect of the audience more readily than she can by talking so much. If a woman does not wish to hurt her husband in such matters, as well as cause people to lose respect for her, the best thing she can do is to keep quiet. Rev. Harper and I are good friends, I presume, but we have differed along the lines of certain procedure, because of certain facts that have been produced. But as a Minister of the Gospel and a General Officer of the H. B. A. he has never lowered his diginity to the extent that he has called me a dirty rascal and a liar in public. I have had no one to tell me that he has called me such privately. Then I consider him innocent along those lines, until he has proven guilty.

I have several times wondered just how I would feel if my wife would use the unbecoming expression in public as Mrs. Harper used in talking about me in the Board at New Augusta. I earnestly feel that a woman should have more respect for the public, I believe that she should have more respect for her husband. If a woman does not respect herself why should she think that other people should respect her. There is such a thing as attempting to help your husband and hurt him. I do hope that my wife will never reflect upon herself to the extent that she will have to get up before the public and call men lies, and grand rascals and dirty thieves. I had more of that put on me by the honorable Mrs. Harper, than I have ever had all my life, by all the men women, boys and girls. "Be not deceived, God is not mock, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap" And why give me such a bad name, when I am only giving the facts that are given me in black and white by the different presidents of the local lodges. If the reports that I have been making are untrue, it should be an easy matter to call the guilty parties to the bar. I would like to advise the wives particularly as to how you take part in saying hard things about men or women, especially before the public. Please do not think that I am trying to dictate to the wives as to what they should say, and how they should act, I am only trying to caution in a brotherly and christian like manner, the good women of our race in order that they may not disgrace themselves before the public.

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Lodge No.	Amount	Back
181	$65.65	$7.20
189	62.85	
212	41.85	
239	72.65	
254	30.65	18.80
261	116.05	
263	30.65	
304	32.05	1.25
308	23.65	
312	12.45	
313	34.85	17.55
319	19.45	
326	124.45	
342	44.65	
343	57.25	
347	30.65	4.50
368	67.05	9.90
113	120.25	
114	55.85	
119	92.25	
121	32.35	
122	34.85	
123	86.65	
125	48.84	
127	138.45	
130	64.25	8.10
131	39.05	
135	19.85	1.80
139	57.25	
141	37.65	1.90
145	103.45	1.80
147	26.45	
148	26.45	
151	33.45	.90
154	53.05	
157	44.65	
159	15.25	
161	26.45	
162	19.45	
163	22.25	
165	55.85	4.95
166	18.05	
173	37.65	
174	16.65	
176	34.85	
178	13.85	
185	92.25	
190	138.45	
192	27.85	
193	36.25	
194	71.25	
195	65.65	5.40
196	53.05	
198	46.05	
199	32.05	
200	36.25	
202	25.05	
203	13.85	3.90
204	7.50	.75
205	18.05	
207	30.65	
209	9.65	
210	11.05	
213	144.05	
214	8.25	
215	37.65	
217	20.85	
218	27.85	
219	29.05	
220	22.25	
221	30.65	
222	32.05	
224	76.85	
225	37.65	26.10
228	20.85	1.25

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Hattiesburg, Miss.

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Reporter

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SILVER CREEK, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 181 isdoing nicely. We are all working in peace and harmony. Love prevails in our local lodge at all times. We have had three deaths this year, but the Lord saw fit to take our dear ones. Our membership is increasing in leaps and bounds. In a recent H. B. A. rally we raised $72.81. Out of this we were able to pay doctor bills. After paying up all of our bills we had $27.81 to turn over to our home treasure.

J. T. Jones, President.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A.s know that the members of lodge No. 125 are doing nicely. We have no sickness in our lodge at present. The Lord has blessed our lodge.

A. Nichols, Reporter.

LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Just a few lines through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 31 is still improving. Thirty-One is small in membership, but we are doing real H. B. A. Work.

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the columns of the Echo to say that our lodge, 387 is doing fine. On our last meeting night we made one new member. We have had a lot of sickness among the members, but all is getting along fine at present. One of our members got his collar bone broken, and he is doing as fine as could be expected.

We all love our dear agent, Breother A. M. Walker. He is a wonderful man. He is the life of this section. Our community is in love with our dear agent, Mr. Walker. He is always on his job. Our lodge has one of the best sick committee of any H. B. A. lodge in the section. We are trying to do more for the H. B. A. for it surely will do what it says it will do.

Rev. U. C. Townsiend, Pres.

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know that we the members of the H. B. A. of lodge No. 277 are in deep sympathy with our President, Prof. J. J. Pickett at the lost of his wife. Mrs. Pickett departed this life September 11th 1929. She leaves to mourn her passing a father, four sisters, three brothers, a husband and six children. As members and friends of brother Pickett we are sad with him, but the Lord knows best. Mrs. Mary Pickett has gone but she is looking for us. Pray that we might be made strong in the lost of one that was so dear to us. She has paid the debt that we've all got to pay, and gone to her heavingly home to live eternity.

Prof. J. J. Pickett, Pres.
M. E. Rainey, Secretary
N. A. Daniels, Reporter.

Kiln, Mississippi

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the columns of your wonderful little paper to let tne many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 396 are doing nicely. We had our anniversary on Sunday September 15th, at Little Providence Baptist Church. A nice attendance was present to witness the occasion. A wonderful program was rendered. Rev. W.M. Jackson and Rev. W. C McDuffy were present. Rev. Jackson preached a wonderful sermon. Everbody seemed to have been filled with the holy ghost while our dear Bro. preached. A nice collection of $10.55 was taken. After the service was over we had a nicely prepared dinner for everybody.

Yours for the cause,
Jack Baggett, President.

Dear Editor: I am glad that I am now having the chance to occupy a minute space in the Echo to let the many readers know that I now have purchased license for the agencyship of the H. B. A. Friends I am going to start from now and do my utmost in bringing or adding members to this Association. Readers, I see a great future in the H. B. A. for our people and I am hoping that every member of our race will be the recipient of his or her pro rata share, and the only way that you can be the recipient of his or her pro rata share is to become a member of this Association. I want to say that I am president of lodge No. 253 and we are doing just fine. Peace and harmony always exist among the members and officers of our lodge. I am glad to say that I was called down to Carmichael, Mississippi, to Bro. Pringle's lodge a few Sundays ago to lay a corner stone. We had a splendid meeting and everyone seemed to enjoyed himself. Brother Pringle and his good people raised around $50.00. After the laying of the corner stone a nicely prepared dinner was served. Readers, Brother Pringle is glad to say that his lodge was the first in the history of the association to have a corner stone laid by the association.

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21 John Hayes No. 123, Mrs. Annie Slay, President. Crandall, Miss.
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23 Sallie Daughtery No. 213, Ed. McLemore, Pres. Quitman,
24 Charlie Skinner No. 400, Claud Gavin, President. Praire Point,
25 Nathan Hose, No. 127, Mrs. Carrie Jury, President. Shubuta,

MILLARD, MISS.

Dear Editor: The many readers will be glad to know that we the members of lodge No. 401 are progressing nicely. We are only three months old, but by the help of the Lord we are trying to go on. We are planning to make Millard an H. B. A. society.

A. C. McCall, Reporter.

MILLARD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 401. We celebrated our first anniversary sermon a few days ago. A wonderful sermon was preached by the Rev. W. C. McDuffee. A nice collection of eighteen ($18.58) dollars and fifty eight cents was taken up. We have a nice little number of fifteen on our roll, and have four (4) applications on file. We are planning to made our lodge one of the best in the State.

L. H. Henry, President.

NOTICE

There will only be two H. B. A. quartely Boards in December. The Presidents in the upper districts will report at Meridian, Miss., in the H. B. A. auditorium; the presidents in the lower districts will report at Hattiesburg, Miss.,

AGENT'S REPORT

The following Agents have reported the following number of new lodges:

Names	Addresses	No.	
Rev. R. H. Ray,	Desota,		
Rev. L. A. Lindsay	Pachuta,		
A. J. Barnett,	Hattiesburg,		
A. W. Walker,	Lambart,	1.	
A. L. Thomas,	Maxie		
Rev. C. L. Pringle,	Carmichael,	3.	
R. W. Young,	Meridian,		
J. G. Gulley,	Enondale,		
Esau Sledge,	Macon,		
T. J. McWilliams,	Daleville,		
C. M. Mayfield,	Waynesboro,	1.	
W. J. Tate,	Prentiss,		
Prof. Thos. Blankney,	Quitman		
O. T. Wood,	Tuscola,		
L. D. Buchanan,	D'Lo,	2.	
G. R. Evins,	Brooklyn,		
J. W. Hickman,	Dekalb,	1.	$32.00
Joe Durr,	Meridian,	1.	44.00
W. C. McDuffy,	Poperville	1.	
Wm. Randall,	State Line,		

VOSSBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 369 is getting along just fine. We are few in membership but are yet alive. We had our anniversary sermon preached on the first Sunday by the Rev. E. D. McLemore. We took in twelve members and raised a nice collection of ($23.52) twenty three dollars and fifty two cents. Pray that we might continue to press forwrad.

H. C. Terrell, President.

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To the many readers of the Echo, who have expressed themselves in writing and in person relative to the editorial in the last issue of the Echo, I wish to thank you. I assure all concerned that it has always been my fondest desire to do unto others as I would have them do unto me. I am not perfect, neither am I immune from mistakes and errors, but for these years my work stands out for itself.

I joined the H. B. A. in 1910 served as an officer in my local lodge No. 1; they tell me that I made good. 1903 I became an agent of the H. B. A. I made good in establishing the H. B. A. in and around Meridian. I have organized lodges with as many as seventy (75) five members strong. In 1916 I was elected General Secretary and, when elected, we had forty two local lodges with about seven (700) hundred members. I have worked hard for the growth of the Order. No man or woman, living or dead knows more about the running and working of the H. B. A. than I, except the General President.

NOTICE

H. B. A. badges are sixty (65c) five cents each, plus postage. Please send the correct amount when ordering badges.

R. L. Y.

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1	39.05	
2	58.55	
3	33.05	
4	61.45	
5	28.65	
8	16.65	
9	61.45	
11	60.05	
18	15.25	
20	54.45	
21	74.05	
22	46.05	
25	33.60	
27	47.45	
28	107.70	$5.40
30	96.45	
31	43.25	
33	65.65	
39	76.85	
40	44.65	
42	46.05	
44	12.45	
47	54.45	
50	37.65	
53	44.65	
54	13.85	
55	47.45	
56	26.45	
58	34.85	
60	15.25	
64	76.85	
66	13.85	
67	51.65	
69	83.85	
70	81.05	
72	48.85	
75	50.25	
76	20.85	7.65
77	25.00	1.35
79	32.05	
80	58.65	
82	102.05	
84	15.25	
85	74.05	
92	100.65	2.25
93	81.05	
94	37.65	
95	53.05	
96	62.85	
98	2.80	
100	8.25	
102	114.65	
103	13.85	
105	43.25	.90
108	72.65	
110	41.85	
111	8.25	
112	53.05	
331	41.85	
334	8.25	
336	16.65	
337	32.05	
339	39.25	1.35
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396	27.85	
399	16.65	
400	16.65	
401	16.65	
402	18.05	
404	12.45	
406	5.45	

NOTICE

Presidents are requested to have death report blanks made out properly before sending same to the office. There are four parties concerned in making out a death report: The local president, the Notary Public, the physician and undertaker.

R. L. Y.

WAY-SIDE MEDICINE

The human body is wonderfully put together, over 200 bones form the inner frame work or skeleton. Over 500 muscles form the bulk and give form and protection to the delicate structures of the body. Numerous nerves coursing through the tissues are there serving to connect the various joints of the body with one another to coordinate them into one harmonious whole in order that the functions of the body might be carried on in a systemly and orderly manner, to enable man to appreciate and to react to impressions from the outside world and these and many other marvelous structures go in to make the human body a wonderful peice of mechanism beautiful to behold.

The body is so constructed and put to-gether as to give the owner the greatest amount of service with the least amount of pain and worry. life's journey from the cradle to the jumping off place is one filled with both pleasant and disagreeable surprises, it is often a journey over the uneven sands of time. We can make it one of rejoicing or one of continuous misery and woe, all in proportion to our obedience or disobedience to the simple but well defined laws of health.

Too much time is spent in decorating the body with putty and smears for the outward show, while the essential necessities to health are woefully over looked. If we would live long and be happy, we must protect the body with the proper kind and amount of clothes, feed it with nourishing foods, take regular exercise outdoors in the fresh air and sunlight, take baths when needed and rest when tired. These are the essential points in good health and our following articles will deal specially with these elements in relation to good health.

SHUBUTA, MISS

Dear Editor; Please allow me space in this wonderful paper to let the many readers of the State and out of the State know that Sweet Pilgrim Lodge No. 249 is still alive and progressing nicely. We had our annual sermon Sunday Oct. 6th. A nice attendance was present to witness the facts. Dr. Lyon preached a wonderful sermon, which was enjoyed by all present. He was responded by Rev. J. I. Carter. Presidents and members from various lodges were present to witness the service. Our chaplain, Bro. W. M. McLendon, carried out a grand religious service. A nice collection of ($46.15) forty six dollars and fifteen cents was raised. After the service a nicely prepared dinner was served to every-body.

Mrs. Emma Heidelburg, President.

POPLARVILLE, MISS.

Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 281 is doing fine. We had our anniversary on Sunday, September 29th at Green Grove Baptist Church. We rendered a nice program, after which Rev. Hardy preached a soul stirring sermon. A nice attendance was present, and, an offering of $17.15 was lifted. After the services dinner was prepared for every-body.

W. C. McDuffie, Pres.,
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of October, 1929.

WILLIS M. TAYLOR,
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My commission expires August 17, 1930.

SEPTEMBER BOARD COLLECTION

Grand total collected for September claims, present and back moneys, eleven ($11,028.50) thousand no hundred twenty eight dollars and fifty cents. Paid to the September claimants two ($222.00) hundred and twenty two dollars each. Back money sent out from the convention two ($2.00) dollars each, making a total of two ($222.00) hundred and twenty two dollars paid each claimant for the convention. One ($1.50) dollar and fifty cents back Death Claim from June, making a total of Death Claims $8478.40. Total Dues $1,110.00. The balance was Echo and Publication fee, Building etc.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that I heartily sympathized with you during the quarterly Board that was held at New Augusta, Miss., and we congratulate you on the nicely written editorial published through the last issue. I have always taken you to be a christian gentleman, but now, from what I have seen and heard I have been thoroughly convinced that you are a Christian gentleman. I have always had high respect for all of the general officers, and always will, but Sir, you have made a warmer place in my heart. The scripture reads: "Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteous sake, rejoice and be exceedingly glad for great is your reward in heaven"

Yours,
A. J. Barnett, Agent and Pres.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to report through the Echo the death of Bro. Charles Hale, Sr., who departed this life Friday Oct. 4, 1929. This community has lost a Citizen. The Church has lost a faithful member. This lodge, No. 270 has lost a willing worker and a faithful member. Bro. Hale was a faithful member, a loyal and loving father. He will be missed in the different departments of life. He said he had prayed and was not afraid to die. "Gone but not forgotton." Oh, we will miss him, yes we will miss him in the H. B. A. lodge that he loved. Brother Hales will be singing in the paradise above, "When E. F. sounds the gavel in July, for the annual Dues that he paid, Hales will be marked up on the Death roll, the ransomed Christ has paid." Sleep on Brother Hales, sleep on and wait until we get there to help crown him Lord of all.

A. J. Barnett, Reporter.

NOTICE

We have paid each claimant from the July convention $222.00 and from the September Board $222.00. Checks have been mailed out to the local Presidents. R. L. Y.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims, etc. in the September Board.

Lodge No.	Amount	Back
230	$43.25	
231	50.25	
232	32.05	
233	19.45	
234	9.65	
235	26.45	
236	16.65	
242	44.65	$1.80
245	33.80	
246	5.45	
247	16.65	
248	26.45	6.75
249	55.85	
251	40.45	
253	107.65	
257	39.05	1.80
259	26.25	
260	18.05	
262	27.85	
264	19.45	
266	22.25	
267	32.05	.90
268	8.25	
269	32.05	.90
270	102.05	
272	2.80	
275	18.65	
276	13.85	
277	78.25	
278	36.25	
279	13.85	
280	20.85	
281	20.85	
286	43.25	
287	30.65	
288	61.45	
289	13.85	1.80
290	53.05	.90
292	19.45	
293	26.45	23.75
298	25.05	
299	16.65	
301	75.45	
302	11.05	
303	25.05	
305	11.05	
306	44.65	
307	22.25	
314	18.05	
317	53.05	
322	8.25	
323	6.85	
324	16.65	
329	11.05	
330	16.65	

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WHAT THE AGENTS ARE DOING

Agent E. F. Young, Jr. is doing fine H. B. A. agency work. He has organized a splendid lodge at Louisville, Mississippi with about twenty members. He states that he wants at least two more lodges by the December Board.

Agents R. W. Young and J. E. Durr are now on the field. Just had a postal card from them while they were in Pelahatchee, Mississippi. They state that they have two or three prospects for new lodges in the next day or so.

Agent Durr has organized a lodge at Burnside, Miss., with fifteen members.

Agent Barnett is sending in for new policies for his lodge, and is making ready to entertain the December Board.

Agent Walker has a new lodge on foot in the delta.

Agent Esau Sledge reported a new lodge organized at Macon, Miss., with about twenty members.

Agent O. T. Woods writes from Greenwood, Miss., that he has a lodge about ready to be organized in that section.

Agent Hickman has organized a new lodge at Gholson, Miss., with about twenty members.

Agent Ed McLemore has organized a new lodge at Quitman, Miss., with about fifteen members.

The following agents have not reported lodges organized for the last thirty days, but they have been doing exceptionally good work: H. Ray, L. A. Lindsay, A. J. Barnett, C. L. Pringle, T. J. McWilliams, C. M. Mayfield, W. J. Tate, L. D. Buchanan and W. C. McDuffy.

The following agents seem to be asleep, and have forgotten they have H. B. A. licenses.

Rev. A. L. Thomas, J. G. Gulley, Prof. Thos. Blakney, G. R. Evins.

We are going to publish at least once a month the doings of the agents.

We have some agents, who apply for license every year and never organize a lodge. Brothers, if you are going to bear the name of an agent, you must get up and do something. Some of you are never invited to lecture, and give instruction to other lodges, but that want do.

Secretary.

NOTICE TO AGENTS

As General President of this Association, I want to advise all agents to be careful in taking in members in this Order, who seem to be more than fifty five or unhealthy. From now on, as General President, when policies are ordered for these new lodges, I am coming in person to deliver policies, or send some one to inspect the work, that has been done by you as agent, and if I find in delivering these policies that you have a bad record on hand, I am going to fine said agent and revoke his license, and all persons receiving policies must be present, or those whe are expecting policies must be present.

E. F. Young, General President.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: I was glad to read the quarterly report blank and to see that it was dated December 14. This is a date that you granted me, that I appreciated to the highest. I will assure you, that I will entertain the Board, as this lodge has never had an Agent nor a General officer to visit it .Please notify all of the presidents in the lower districts that they are going to meet with lodge No. 270.

A. J. Barnett, President.

TUNICA, MISS.

Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say that we are progressing just fine. Lodge No. 301 is on the upward march. We have six applications on file for membership to our lodge, and we are expecting some more pretty soon. Pray that we may continue to press forward. We are working that our lodge might be in the same class as Bro. J. M. Martin's lodge at Lambert, Miss.

Mrs. Rosie Bell, President.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow us space in the Echo to let the many H. B. A.s know that lodge No. 298 is doing nicely, and with the Lord's help we are going to gain more members.

J. F. Macon, President.

NOTICE TO LOCAL PRESIDENTS

If it is proven that any local president collects Death Claims and Quarterly Dues from any member, that has not got a policy, said president will be suspended from the Order.

E. F. Young, General President.

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H. B. A. BOARDS

H. B. A. Boards meet on the 10th and 14th of December. We will meet in the H. B. A. auditorium in Meridian on the 10th of December. All of the loyal presidents in and around this section, who so loyally entertained the convention are going to do their best to take care of the Board. The Board will be in session one day and night. We want to open strickly at 9:00 o'clock. All presidents are urged to be present on time, and make a round report.

On Saturday December 14th, we will be in Hattiesburg, and will be entertained by president H. Barnett and his good members. Brother Barnett and his members will no doubt, pull of the biggest entertainment, that has ever been held in Hattiesburg. We spoke to several of the presidents of Hattiesburg about assisting in careing for the Board, since it will be composed of all the presidents in the lower districts, however Mr. Barnett and his members are the only ones, who have notified us to the effect that they will care for the Board. The General officers will be in Hattiesburg Saturday and Saturday night through Sunday in behalf of the H. B. A. and at the same time, we hope to take in at least one hundred (100) applications for membership during our stay in Hattiesburg. We have as a whole, a splendid set of presidents in and around Hattiesburg. The majority of them being depended upon to do big things. The membership of Hattiesburg should be praised for its loyalty. The ministers of Hattiesburg are all so sympathetic toward our order, as well as the big majority of the leading laymen and best men. Look out Barnett, we are coming to Hattiesburg in full force. We want you to prove yourself equal to the task. See Revs. Wells, Wheaton, Smith, Washington Dudley, Rhodes, and a host of others, who will always come at our call. See such laymen as Holloway, Woods, Webster, Hall, Triggs and a number of others. I am sure they will help you put the program over.

Secretary.

WAY-SIDE MEDICINE
(Dr. L. F. Brooks)

Waste matter is constantly passing from the interior to the exterior part or surface of the body and there it accumulates in the form of dirt, which readily under-goes decomposition if allowed to remain. Bathes are very essential in the program of health, they serve the purpose of washing away fastly accumulating waste matter and also to stimulate the skin, and invigorate blood circulation.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness and Godly people certainly should keep next. No one is justified in allowing the body to become dirty and odorful when you consider that the agents conducive to cleanliness are cheap and in abundance. Water is every where and soap of some kind can easily be produced. Sunlight and fresh air are the other agents that nature so freely affords for health's sake.

Baths are either general or partial and in order to keep the body in a healthy state it is necessary that it be given a bath (general) once every week and a partial bath between times. The general bath is the regular Saturday night kind, the tub kind. It matters not whether it be a wooden tub, a zinc tub or a regular bath tub. The tub bath is best for all general purposes and for all concerned. Partial bath consists in spongeing the body, usually the neck, under the arms and the arms proper. It serves its purpose but cannot and should not take the place of the general tub bath, however, many individuals resort to the usage of the sponge bath especially during the winter months with the face and hands being the only part of the body to receive a meager sprinkling of water, and there is still another class of individuals whose notion and faith are wrapped in the power of a powder bath to cleanse the body. Cosmetics have no place whatsoever on health's program. No where in the skin is found a plant to produce powder, paints, putty rogue such clammy messes, nature is endeavoring to rid itself of the waste, bringing it from the deeper structures to the surface of the body, and there is asking that you kindly assist her in her efforts in the name of health to remove the deposits by the judiciary employment of soap and water rather than the attempt to drown the odor beneath a coating of powder, which merely adds to the nausea and stinch, which you are attempting to destroy.

(To be continued)

DEKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: Lodge No. 85 is doing nicely. We had our anniversary on the 13th of October. The General President, Rev. E. F. Young, preached a wonderful sermon. Our lodge extends to our Dear president a standing invitation to come at any time. A nice collection of $10.10 was taken. The members of lodge No. 85 are all working in harmony and peace. Pray for our lodge and the members.

W. L. McDade, President.

NOTICE

All presidents are requested to collect $1.40 Death Claims, Quarterly Dues etc., and report same in the next Board.

R. L. Y.

POPLARVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many many readers know that lodge No. 281 is doing nicely. We are working in peace and harmony. We had one death this year, in the person of Brother Bud Johnson. Bro. Johnson died May 13th. His funeral was preached by Rev. I. W. Reynolds.

W. C. McDuffie, President.
M. E. Miller, Sec., and Reporter.

PERKINSTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 377. Our lodge is doing nicely. We have in three applications for membership. One of the applicants that we have for membership, met with an accident a few days ago, but he is doing as well as could be expected. Pray that we might continue to press forward.

Pete Bang, President.
Audrey L. Avery, Secretary.

NEW HEBRON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 343 are doing nicely. We have lost one of our faithful members in the person of Sister Fannie Barney. Sister Barney departed this life October 20th. Our lodge will miss our dear Sister. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain. Pray that our lodge will be successful.

Sam Buckley, President.

MERIDIAN, MISS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that we the members of lodge No. 253, the leading lodge of the City, are doing nicely. We are all working in harmony and peace with our president. Our president is adding members to our lodge and to other lodges. Pray for our continued success.

Reporter.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death Claims, Etc., in the September Board:

Lodge No.	Amount	Back
403	$11.05	
386	11.10	$12.15
311	12.25	
252	13.85	

TO THE LOCAL PRESIDENTS

To the loyal H. B. A. presidents and members, I am now calling upon you to order special H. B. A. records, in which to keep the minutes and proceedings of all your local lodge work. All of your financial proceedings are to be kept on this special record. We have had quite a few cases in courts and up until now, we have got to loose our first case, but what I can see and the experience that I have had as General President of this Order, I see that it is absolutely necessary that each local lodge, in order for your protection, have a special record in which your proceedings are kept. These records can be purchased from the office, and I think wherever there is a lodge composed of not more than fifty members, you can get a record that will last you four years for one dollar and twenty five cents ($1.25). It means thirty one cents (31) a year. Each lodge should at least have one. Order your record at your earliest convenience.

I want to call the presidents attention to the fact that when ever members are made in your local lodges, you are not to give them the pass word and grip until you have received policies from the office. Let the pass word and grip be given after the policies have been delivered. If the policies are never delivered the grip and pass word are never given. I want to also call your attention to the fact that no president is allowed to receive Death Claim and Quarterly Dues from any member without giving said member a receipt out of an official receipt book issued from this office. Said president must have a copy of the receipt issued. I wish to call the agents attention to the fact that when local lodges are organized and you send for policies, I shall deliver the policies in person, or send some one. All persons receiving policies in the organization must be present for inspection or for an examination. I wish to also call the local presidents attention to the fact that all of you are to get on your job and make it a special privilege to see to it that no applicant that seems to be suspicious is taken in this Order, without thorough investigation and upon which satisfactory proof warrents his or her becoming a member. A failure on the part of any member or president to do his or her duty along these lines is subject to the laws of the constitution.

E. F. Young, General President.

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Rev. W. T. Smith and his good members of New Augusta, Miss., entertained the September Board royally. We certainly did have a wonderful time. R. L. Y.

TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the December Board:

1 Albert Hill No. 181, J. T. Jones, Pres. Silver Creek, Miss.,
2 Willie Damper No. 347 G. B. Black, Pres. Silver Creek, Miss.
3 Willie Dawson No. 79, Mrs. S. M. Jackson, Pres. Lauderdale,
4. Grant Parker No. 189, Mrs. Lanie Carmicheal, Pres. Cohay,
5. Sarah Kennedy No. 72, D. H. Watson, President. Meridian,
6. M. L. Jones No. 53, Esau Sledge President Macon,
7. John Shanklin No. 389, Russell Peterson, Pres. McLeod,
8. Floyd Howze No. 127, Mrs. Carrie Jury, President. Shubuta,
9. Nancy Walker No. 116, J. H. Jackson, Pres. Mt. Olive,
10. Harriet White No. 294, B. H. Seal. President. Richton,
11. Sleda Denson No. 194, C. W. McLaughlin, Pres. Waynesboro,
12. Roxie Dace No. 245, Rev. W. T. Smith, Pres. Hattiesburg,
13. Monroe Moore No. 196, A. Evans President. Waynesboro,
14. Susie Abbott No. 53, Esau Sledge President. Macon,
15. Frank Sweety No. 181, J. T. Jones, President. Silver Creek.
16. Mary Easter Webb No. 121 Rev. J. H. Hinton, Pres. Complete,
17. L. D. Ducksworth No. 372, Rev. S. L. Expose, President. Mize,
18. Emma Deason No. 4, E. D. Portis, President. Kewanee,
19. Easter Brown No. 256 C. M. Myers. Pres. New Hebron,
20 Nora Chaney No. 84, John Chaney President. Meridian,
21 John Hayes No. 123, Mrs. Annie Slay, President. Crandall, Miss.
22 Mary Pickett No. 353, Prof. J. J. Pickett, President. Brookhaven,
23 Sallie Daughtery No. 213, Ed. McLemore, Pres. Quitman,
24 Charlie Skinner No. 400, Claud Gavin, President. Praire Point,
25 Nathan Hose, No. 127, Mrs. Carrie Jury, President. Shubuta,
26 Mollie Edward No. 19, Henry Edwards, Pres. Meridian,
27 Mary Alice Jackson, No 92 Clem Brown, President. Laurel,
28 L. C. Cochrell No. 161, Amis Johnson, President Macon,
29 Julian Oatis No. 160, W. J. Tate, Pres. Prentiss,
30 Emma Smith No. 53, Esau Sledge, Preident. Macon,
31 Charlie Hale Jr. No. 270, A. J. Barnett, Pres. Hattiesburg,
32 Lemon Johnson No. 200, W. M. Peay, President. New Augusta,
33 Geo. Williams, No. 72, D. H. Watson, President, Meridian,
34 Alberta Ferrell No. 108 Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, President. Hattiesburg, Mississippi
35 Ples May No. 305, D. J. Harlan, President. Macon, Mississippi

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PHONE 68

Hattiesburg, Miss.

BUCATUNNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers of the Echo know that we the members of lodge No. 214 are getting along fine. We are getting in traveling shape again. We have lost two members, who transferred to other H. B. A. lodges. We have got two applications on file for membership. Rev. Doby and wife desired to transfer to lodge No. 402, we will miss our dear friends but we are still H. B. A. brothers and sisters. If the local presidents would read the Constitution more carefully and obey the laws, we would not have so many deaths. We are few in membership, but we are trying to hold on. We hope to over come by and by.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.

DEKALB, MISS.

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words to let the readers of this wonderful little paper know that we the members of lodge No. 112 are doing nicely. We had a wonderful meeting on our last meeting night. Rev. Hickman was present to help make our meeting more enjoyable. We paid all doctor and medicine bills. We took in one application for membership to our lodge. We have three candidates to make on our next meeting night. The September Board, that convened with lodge No 112 certainly was an uplift to our lodge, and community as well. We are praying when the time will come again in order that we may get another H. B. A. Board in our community. Pray that our lodge will continue to be successful.

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NEGRESS 100 Years Old, Dies In This City

Hannah White, Colored woman, 100 years old, who died at the home of her son, Handy White, in this City Wednesday night; will be buried at Oak Grove in Kemper county, where she lived for ninety five years, having been carried to that community from North Carolina when she was five years old. It was stated by white citizens, who had long known the deceased and who thought much of her. She bore a splendid reputation all of her life. Being well liked by both White and Colored people. She is survived by four sons and one daughter.

NOTICE

Special Notice To New Presidents All presidents, who did not make a report in the September Board and whose lodge have been organized since the last Board are requested to collect $1.75 Echo and Publication fee from your lodges, and report same in the next Board. This amount is to pay for all reports being published through the Echo and the subscription for the paper until 1930. If you fail to collect it we will have to turn your report down until it is paid.

Secretary.

The following lodge reported the following amount for Dues and Death Claims in the September Board:

No.	Amount	Back
45	$83.05	$10.80

HEALTH PROGRAM

The readers of the Echo have been blessed with the privilege of reading articles contributed by Dr. L. F. Brooks. Dr. Brooks is giving some splendid information to our people through the columns of the Echo relative to the care of the body and the prolonging of our lives. I hope that each president reads these articles in open lodge in order that we may be more careful in the care of the body. Dr. Brooks is located in our Office-Building, and is rendering splendid service to the people of Meridian.

EDITOR'S NOTE

The above article appeared in the Meridian Star Friday November 1, 1929. This Colored woman, who had lived to be one hundred years old was a member of H. B. A. lodge No. 235, Handy White, president. The baby boy, the son of Hannah White, claims to be fifty years old. The baby claims to have been away from this country for twenty four years, and when he left his mother told him, that she was seventy six. The death certificate reports the age as sixty four. She had been a member of the H. B. A. four years. The date of birth on the death certificate is 1865, when as a matter of fact the above article shows that she was born about 1829. Ninety six years old when she joined the H. B. A.

I wish to candidly ask the presidents and members of this Order, how do you think that this Order can live with presidents and members allowing people who are to old, decrepit and worn out to be brought into the Order?. It pains my heart to know that we have people, who will not only rob other people, but themselves. This race will never get very far until we can develope some honest people as leaders.

We have another death from a certain president, who claims that the deceased was fifty nine. He had been a member of the H. B. A. two months. Fifty eight years old when he joined. He paid the convention assessment and died. The county record shows that he died at the age of seventy. Just a few more years at this rate and the H. B. A. will die the death that most of the other Negro Organizations have died, and when it is dead, the people will put it on the General officers. We have several deaths on hand of old people, who have lived in the Order from one to two years and died. Look out presidents, you will kill it after while.

NOTICE

Presidents may make their reports any place they please, Meridian, or Hattiesburg.

R. L. Y.

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

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EDITORIAL

Don't Knock

To the agents, presidents and members: We feel that it is necessary, that we caution you a bit, relative to our Organization and other organizations among our people. To us the H. B. A. is the best Order in the State, to others some other Order may be the best. While in this splendid progressive age of the H. B. A., and while we are organizing new lodges and making members in many parts of the State, we want to advise, that all H. B. A.s be careful as to how you criticize other organizations. We have a good Order and there are other good Orders, that are good, however to us the H. B. A. is the best. I have received quite a few letters from members relative to the hard knocks that certain persons are trying to give this Order. I wish to state to you friends, that hard knocks is a splendid advertisement and is a big boost for people to talk about you. It keeps you in the minds and eyes of the people. When any one attempt to ridicule and criticize the H. B. A. that person is only adding more members to the Order. When anyone attempts to criticize the general President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain, it means more cats because it is a fact, that the general president, secretary, treasurer and chaplain have been able to show their good common horse sense by being able to co-operate with one another, and never raise a stir in this Order. It takes wise judgement and good old common sense to co-operate. Any fool can raise a fuss but it takes common sense to do business. Quite a few have started with us and they were the best friends so to speak, to the Order that could be found, but as soon as they found out that we would not tolerate dishonesty in the Order, there was a "helluva belu." Some of us at the head of this order have been tried, and are willing to be tried again. Friends you can not get any where by fussing and fighting. If a fellow wants to fuss and fight give him the road and let him fuss and fight with himself.

In organizing new lodges, we want to advise all concerned, please don't knock any order, for If you attempt to knock it is a big boost.

WHAT THE AGENTS ARE DOING

Agent A. J. Barnett has just sent in for two new certificates. Agents R. W. Young and J. E. Durr have reported since the last issue three new lodges organized, with from eighteen to twenty members in each lodge. One lodge organized at Morton, Mississippi with Mr. Willie Ben as President, one at Union, Mississippi with Rev. J. K. M. Chambers as president and one at Pelahatchee, Mississippi with Mr. R. A. Lucas as president. They are in Canton and Jackson, Miss., making ready to organize new lodges in these sections. We are expecting to hear from the rest of the agents in the next few days.

Agent E. F. Young, Jr. has added one new member to his lodge. Quite a few of the local presidents are getting from one to two policies. The office shows that we have written more than two hundred and fifty certificates since the last Board. We want at least three hundred and fifty this quarter.

BOND, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to say to the many many readers, that we the members of lodge No. 198 are still alive and are in love and peace with one another; under the leadership of our president, Bro. J. M. Hall. We rendered an anniversary program on the 4th Sunday in September. Those who appeared on program are as follows:—

Welcome address—Miss P. E. Seaborn.

Response,—J. Dean

Solo—Mrs. Arrington

Paper, Subject "Love"—Mrs. Ramsey.

Remarks—Rev. Jordon

Duet—Mesdames Evans and Savol

Reading Subject--"There's a Little Bit of Good in the worst of us," Mrs. Fowler.

Rev. J. S. Folds of Sumrall, Mississippi was introduced and made some very timely remarks.

Solo--Mrs. Breland.

Closing Remarks Rev. Jas. Gaddis. Collection and benediction.

Viola Batson, Reporter.

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CRANDALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: This is to let the readers of the Echo know that Lodge No. 123 is doing nicely. We had one of our agents with us in the person of Rev. H. Ray, we enjoyed him being with us and to, he gave us quite a bit of information. We had a wonderful meeting and we are working together. We have one application on file. Pray that we might continue to press forward in the work of the H. B. A.

Mrs. Annie Slay, President.

WAY- SIDE MEDICINE (By Dr. L. F. Brooks)

The practive of useing cosmetics for their beautifying effect on the skin is risky and injurious to the delicate skin structures. Many of the cheaper cosmetics contain poisonous matters, such as lead, arsenic, chlorines and other dye stuff, which when applied to the skin set up a low grade of inflammation, thus giving risk to pimples and black heads, and those who paint powder and veneer their countenance for beauty sake should be exceedingly careful less they completely supplant th. healthy glow of the skin with lines, with seams with crevices and bumps and then you may paint the little ugliness as you will, but it will persist in its unloveliness still.

The cosmetic that is healthy, beautifying and invigorating, nature provides abundantly. Water is cheap and all you need is a bit of soap and to exert a little elbow energy and give the body the one treat it needs, submerge it beneath the watery surface of nature instead of drowning it beneath a coating of powder and paint, and health will crown you for your labors.

Waste matter is constantly being brought from the interior of the body to the surface, if allowed to remain, it rapidly under-goes decomposition and decay, which soon becomes offensive and obnoxious to the individual and to every one with whom he comes in contact. A dirty skin is not only unsightly and unhealthy, but a disgrace to the law of decency and pride. Minute living bodies known as microbes find lodgement on the skin and unless removed by frequent baths, quickly multiply, find entry into the body and become a causative of many diseases from which the human family suffers. The skin is liable to invasion by these parasite germs. Like the seeds sown in planting time, they cannot grow except the soil be suitable, hence they readily find favor in a dirty skin, and under the influence of heat from the body, they grow, becoming enemies to the human health and human life.

NOTICE TO LOCAL PRESIDENTS

We are not only getting out special H. B. A. records for the local H. B. A. lodges to keep their proceedings, but by a special request of the local presidents, we have on hand a large number of order blanks for the sick committee to order the doctor and to order medicine. These special blanks can be ordered for ten cents a book. All presidents desireing said blanks may obtain them by sending ten cents plus postage to the office. The postage will amount to probably five cents.

Some time we have trouble with sick committees ordering the doctor or medicine, and those of us, who desire these blanks may eliminate some trouble in our lodges. I am almost sure that any H. B. A. doctor, or drug-store will be glad to pay for the order blanks for the local lodge and keep them in their respective office.

R. L. Y.

SOUTH MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE

To convene at Jackson, Mississippi. The South Mississippi Annual conference opens Wednesday the 20th. at Jackson, Mississippi. Rev. R. L. Young is now making ready for a round report. The conference is being entertained by the Rev. S. E. Gibson, Jackson, Mississippi.

Agents R. L. Young and J. E. Durr are bucking against each other in writing members. It is hard for one to beat the other.

They have organized a new lodge at Canton, Mississippi with twenty three members, with Mr. Jessie Boyd as president and M. J. Jones as Secretary.

ELLISVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: This is to let you and the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 77 have lost one of the oldest members in our lodge, in the person of Bro. Joe Brown Bro Brown joined No. 77 when it was organized. He leaves to mourn his passing four children, Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Alex Brown, H. G. Brown, and Noah Brown. His remains will be carried to his old home in Lauderdale, Mississippi.

Reporter.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Special notice to the presidents in and around Meridian, Mississippi and Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

We want to write one hundred new members during the two Boards on the 10th in Meridian and on the 14th at Hattiesburg. The dispensation will be reduced to 50 cents. The person making application, provided he or she passes an examination, will be initiated and receive a certificate the the same day. Who will lead Meridian or Hattiesburg?

E. F. Young, General President.

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SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

Notice to all H. B. A.s attending the H. B A. Board at Meridian. All members, who desire to be examined by our physician, Dr. L. F. Brooks, may have an examination at half price on the day of the Board. The office will pay half of the examination fee and the member being examined will pay the other half. This will last only one day, the day of the Board. We will have a special admittance slip signed by the office and each member, who obtains one of these slips, may go to Dr. Brooks, pay him half of the fee and the office will pay the balance. We hope that scores of our members will take advantage of this opportunity. Do not wait until you get sick, but go to him and get some advice in order that you may not get sick. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

R. L. Y.

NOTICE

To Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, and the Relatives of Mrs. Alberta Ferrell of H. B. A No. 108, Hattiesburg, Miss., and to D. H. Watson, president of H. B A. No. 72, Meridian, Miss., and the relatives of Geo. Williams. These claims will not be paid until the March Board. There are two other claims that come ahead of these, that were an over sight on the part of the office in recording two other claims, therefore, we will pay Joe Applewhite, deceased member of lodge No. 312, J. L. Weathersby, President Braxton, Miss., and Aaron Mikel, deceased member of lodge No. 23, J. M. Thompson, President. Bassfield, Mississippi.

NOTICE

We have all kinds of fancy stationery, Xmas cards, visiting cards, business cards, invitation, announcements on sale. We ask everybody who desire anything in this line to get his order in early before the Xmas rush. For further information write or phone the Good-Will Printing Co., Phone 3377. 2508 5th St.
Meridian, Mississippi.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers of this wonderful little paper know, that we the members of lodge No. 232 are doing nicely. We are adding new members to our lodge. Our community seems to be proud of our lodge, because it has been proven to them that the H. B. A. is not a fake. Several of the members of lodge No. 232 visited the Board at New Augusta, Miss., and were very much pleased with the way the H. B. A. transacts business. We are looking forth to the December Board, that will convene in Hattiesburg, on the 14th.

Edward Boles, President.
Ida Heidelburg, Secretary.

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HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 270 are getting ready to entertain the December Board. I have been visiting quite a few lodges instructing them all to make round reports in the December Board. Please notify all presidents in the upper districts to come to Hattiesburg Miss., and see how the presidents in the lower districts make reports.

A. J. Barnett, President and Agent.

RECEIPT BOOKS

All presidents, who don't have receipt books to issue receipts to the members for the December assessment are requested to send six cents postage to the office for a receipt book in order that you may issue a receipt to every member from whom you collect Death Claims and Quarterly Dues. Receipts must be issued to every member from whom you collect these moneys at the time collected. Members who pay said claims without taking a receipt is at their own risk.

COLUMBIA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 326 is getting along nicely. All of our members are working in harmony. We had two entertainments to help swell our treasure, and we are proud to say, that we had a success. On our last meeting we had four new candidates for membership to our lodge.

James Rodgers, President
Mrs. S. H. Powell, Secretary.

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BUCATUNNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 214 are getting along nicely. We are growing every day. We feel that our lodge is made of H. B. A. indeed. We have two application on file for membership. We are expecting to make a round report in the December Board.

J. L. Story, President.
Addie Story, Secretary.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the members and friends know that the General Body has requested our president to read or have read, the Echo to the lodge. He has refused to do so, saying, that there is nothing in the Echo, but the assessment to be collected. At the time the Board was held at New Augusta, Mississippi, our General Secretary wrote an article concerning some matters that occured in that particular Board. We would not have known anything concerning the Board, but I chanced to see another president's paper.

A. M. Land, Reporter.

LAUDERDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 31 is moving along nicely. We are useing the new Constitution and Guide in our lodge, and they certainly have helped the members of No. 31. We are striving to make a round report in the H. B. A. Board on the 10th of December.

Mrs. V. T. Thornton, President.

NOTES

Miss Exie Easter has just returned from Birmingham, Ala., where she was called to the bed side of her dying brother, Albert Easter, Jr. Miss Easter is an employee of the Good Will Printing Co.

Misses Gertrude Harper and Lenora Young are planning to spend Thanksgiving in Jackson, Mississippi.

ANTI-DISALS

If You Try

If the job at which you're striving
Is the hardest you have met.
And in spite of all your driving
You have not performed it yet;
Grit your teeth and go right to it,
For you'll manage, by and by,
To succeed with it and do it
If you try.

If the burden you're sustaining
Seems to load and weigh you down,
Do not spend your time complaining
With a discontended frown;
Simply pull yourself together
As you have your shoulders high,
You will lift it like a feather
If you try.

Not a power that is vaunted
But will yield to you at length,
If your spirit is undaunted
For in courage there is strength.
Let your faith be like a fountain
That is never still or dry;
You can even move a mountain
If you try.

Franklin Waldheim.

NOTICE TO ALL PRESIDENTS

All members, who fail to report in the coming Board on time must wait until the lodge meeting to renew, and said application blank must be filled put before we can accept same. We have been accepting renewals from local presidents, without the application blank, because it was a new law, but hereafter we shall not accept any renewal without the official renewal blank.

POPLARVILLE, MISSISSIPPI.

Dear Editor: Give me room in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers and friends know that our lodge, No, 281, is still alive. We have added eight members to our lodge since the last Board, and we are proud to say that we have two applications on file for membership to our lodge. We want to let all concerned know that lodge No. 281 is not asleep. We are on the upward march; slow but sure.

We are not taking in any members, who are to old to comply with the age limit of the constitution of our Order. We are expecting to meet you all in the H. B. A. Board in the H. B. A. auditornium December 10th.

W. C. Mc Duffy, President.

NOTICE

Every president, who is not going to attend the December Board, must have his report in, or on before the date designated. If not, we must see that you abide by the law.

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MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to report through the columns of the Echo the death of Bro. Callie Smith, who departed this life October 16, 1929.
The community has lost a good citizen, the church has lost a faithful member, and lodge No. 67 has lost a loyal member. Our lodge will miss our dear Brother, one whom we loved so dearly. We feel that our dear Brother is sleeping in Jesus, in that sweet h aven of rest.
Mrs. Mattie Trussell, President.
Mrs. E. L. Steward, Secretary.

WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the many H. B. A. s know that we, the members of lodge No. 190 have lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Bro. Tom Hampton. He died November 28th, 1929. We are proud to say that the Lord has been good to us whereof we are glad. We have a membership of one hundred and twenty (120) and we have only lost one member by death since 1927. Bro. Hampton was a faithful member in his lodge. The members of lodge No. 190 will miss our dear Brother. We feel that it is our lost, but heaven's gain. We are asking the entire membership to pray for our lodge. I am a young president, and the road seems pretty rough sometime, but I am proud to say and to know, that right is going to shine regardless how many devils there are against it.

Yours in Christ, D. L. Harris,
President.

What the Agents are Doing

Agents J. E. Durr and R. W. Young are still sending in new lodges organized by them. They have just reported a new lodge organized at Jackson, Mississippi with a membership of twenty. This is the only H. B. A. lodge we have located in Jackson, Miss. Mr. Walter Taylor 637 South West Street, Jackson, Miss., is president of the newly organized lodge.

Messrs. Durr and Young have also reported a new lodge at Canton, Mississippi, with a membership of twenty with Mr. Jessie Boyd as president.

Our other agents seem to be asleep. Wake up presidents did you not know that it will be Xmas in a few days? How many lodges will you be able to say you organized in 1929.?

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BROOKLYN, MISS

Dear Editor:

This comes to report though the Echo the death of Sister George Ann Booth, who passed to the great beyond, Thursday, Nov., 28th 1929. The community has lost a citizen. St. John Baptist Church has lost a faithful member, the lodge No. 266 has lost a most loyal member.
She was a faithful wife and loving mother. She died in full triumph of faith. She was a member of the Choir and possessed rare talant as a singer. Those who were fortunate enough to hear her sing were always charmed with the rich melody of her voice.
We shall miss her here, but hope to hear her sing some day in the heavenly choir. "A chair is vacant in the home. The voice so loved is stilled. A place is vacant in our hearts that never can be filled."
She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, eight children, a mother, four brothers, two sisters and a host of relatives and friends.
We bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well. Servant of God, well done. Rest from thy loved employ. The battle's fought, the victory won. Enter the Master's joy.

D. B. Breland, Reporter.

DAD IS MARRIED

Well Sisters, my dady is married again. I told you all to hurry up the old man was raring to go. He married a young chicken. He says he is at himself now. I believe the old fellow is looking better.

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MERIDIAN, MISS

Dear Editor: This comes to let you know that I am a poor old fellow, down and in need. I would appreciate it very very much if the local presidents will give me one cent (1c) each, and take the matter up with your members and see if they want kindly help an old man in need. You may take your expense out of the amount that you solicit for me, and forward the balance to me. I haven't been able to make one penny in two years. Blessed is he that giveth to the poor. Mail all donation to L. W. Walker, R. 8 Box 10, Meridian, Miss.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This is an appeal from a friend in need. All presidents, who can help the old gentleman, will kindly do so. The Lord will bless you.

NOTICE

Presidents and members don't forget your medical examination on Wednesday during the Board by our physician, Dr. L. F. Brooks. You are to pay half of your fee and the Organization pays the other half.

NEW YEARS GIFT

Dear Presidents and members: I am thinking of the splendid progress that has been and is being made by the H. B. A. I feel that we, as H. B. A. s should be proud of ourselves. We are about to enter into a new year, 1930, and I believe it would be a splendid idea if all presidents and members would decide to give 10c as a new years gift on our Office-Building. It would enable us to pay practically two notes. 10c would no doubt give us $800.00 and may be more. It would save interest and also help us to get straight on some little outstanding accounts, such as insurance etc. I have not had a chance to take the matter up with the General President, but as General Secretary I feel that we should give 10c each. Said amount to be reported about January 15th. What do you say local presidents and members? suppose we do big thing like that.

R. L. Young, Secretary.

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 279 is still alive and working for the H. B. A. We had our anniversary sermon preached by Rev. J. L. Lyon November 12th, 1929. A nice collection of $13.41 was taken up. We were honored with having many visitors with us on that day. Mr. and Mrs. Heidelbnrg of H. B. A. No. 249, Mr. L. Bonner and L. Parker of H. B. A. 290 were also with us.

S. H. Husband, Reporter.

VOSSBURG, MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Editor: Please give me spaee in your paper to say to the many readers, that our lodge is progressing nicely. the members are all working in harmony and peace. We had a public installation the First Sunday in November. A wonderful program was rendered. The welcome address was delivered by Bro. J. L. Heidelburg. A timely talk was made by Bro. S. H. Husband. Mr. Charley Carter was also present. The weather was a little unfavorable, but my, my, we had a wonderful time. A wonderful collection to the amount of $39.80 was taken up. After service was over we adjourned for dinner. We are making ready for the March Board to convene with our lodge.

L. Bonner, Pres. Lodge No. 290.

ROUND REPORTS

We are especially urging all local presidents to do their best to make round reports for all members of their respective lodges. Those who fail to make a round report for members will please remember, that these members will be compelled to remain out of the lodge until the next meeting of that particular lodge. Said member must be voted on by ballot and if accepted by the local lodge, said application must be sent to the office and accepted by the office before said member will be in regular standing. The member must also wait until the office notifies the president that the application for renewal has been accepted. It matter not how sick a member may be, or how many may die, nor how long she or he has been a member, if you get behind you will just be behind, for you must go through the regular course before being re-instated.

TUNICA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow lodge No. 391 space in the Echo to say that we the members of this lodge are doing nicely. We feel that we are on the upward march. Our lodge is growing in membership. Love and peace exist through out our lodge. We want the association to pray for our continued success.

Mrs. Rosie Bell, President.

South Mississippi Annual Conference A Success

The South Mississippi Annual Conference, which convened a Jackson, Mississippi, November 20th, of which Bishop Elias Cottrell presided, was a splendid success. Bishop Cottrell was at himself in presiding over this conference. On a whole the pastors of the three districts made very good reports. There were not very many changes made, however the Rev. E. W. Washington, who has successfully pastored at Hattiesburg and Wiggins, Miss., for seven consecutive years was made Presiding Elder of the Meridian district. Revs. E. B. Blackman has served his time out as Presiding Elder of this District. Rev. Blackman is now pastor of Mt. Pleasant church, Collins, Miss. Rev. R. L. Young was sent back to Meridian, while E. F. Young was sent to South Meridian and Zion Hill.

The following clergymen were elected delegates to the General Conference, which convenes in Louisville, Kentucky next May: R. L. Young, H. B. Leach, D. M. Montgomery, W. H. Foster, E. B. Blackman, S. E. Gibson.

Lay-Delegates: C. I. Chatman, R. W. Young, W. H. Randolph, M. Hunt, Mrs. Lula Wilson and A. M. Wilson.

WAY-SIDE MEDICINE

(Dr. L. F. Brooks)

What is the object of the health column in the Echo, what has the writer been attempting to say through the lines of way-side medicine? The writer my dear friends, has been laboring to bring you into a deeper realization of the value of health, how it is preserved and of it's real worth to the individual, to the community and communities. Many people are unhealthy because they have never seriously reflected on the cause, others likewise are unhealthy due to the fact that they are not willing to pay the price for good health, they are not ready and will not break with the unsafe habit that has led them into the ruts and almost upon the rocks. For the first class we weep, while for the other, the one that persists in breaking the laws of nature in regards to health. We must leave them to learn their lesson through years of their own and bitter wishes.

For every disease under the sun, some one has disregarded nature's laws. Some one has sinned if you please, they have bolted against the eternal command "Thou shalt not" and hence must drink dregs from the bottom of the cup of aches and pains. It is a puzzle indeed why men will seek the shadows, when sunshine and happiness, joy, and health are here for the asking. Why man's bold disobedience is a theme that has mystified the thinking world for all times, since and now, and possibly until time is no more. Milton sang of it in his days gone by, and to-day preachers from pulpits the world over are constantly attempting to conden sin in mankind, while an array of good and noble men and women in other pursuits are ever endeavoring to lift the disobedient to a higher plane of living. Our problem is to learn how to live. We are expected to be first class animals and no individual can be all that is expected of him or her unless there is a close adherence to truth. Common sence and a will to do that which is safe and best and will bring larger returning of joy, health end happiness not only to the individual is life, but to those with whom he comes in contact.

(To be continued)

MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI.

Dear Editor: The readers of this little paper will be interested to know that our lodge, one of the leading lodges of the State, is doing nicely. We are expecting to make a round report in the December Board. We are proud to say that our lodge has added since the last Board twenty members. Look out H. B. A. presidents. it isn't hard.

M. L. Larkin, Reporter,
E. F. Young, Jr. President.

To The Local Presidents

All presidents are requested to fill out all application blanks for renewals or for new members with ink and pen. Please see to it that they are filled out properly before sending them to the office.

Secretary.

NOTICE

Friends and members of the alumni of Haven Teachers College presented Dr. J. B. F. Shaw, president of the Institution, a silver service set, purchased from Myers Schamber Jewelry Company.

Rev. Roy L. Young, in a very impressive manner, made the presentation addres s. He outlined the progess of Haven and the graduates. Some of them successful professional business men, teachers and one, Rev. Henry McDoweil, a missionary in Africa.

Dr. Shaw said that he would always cherish the gift as a token of priceless value, and above all he appreciated the friendship of both races. Very briefly he expressed his regrets of his departure as most of his life was spent here.

Miss Charlie Mae Richardson of this City worked faithfully in the project.

Reporter

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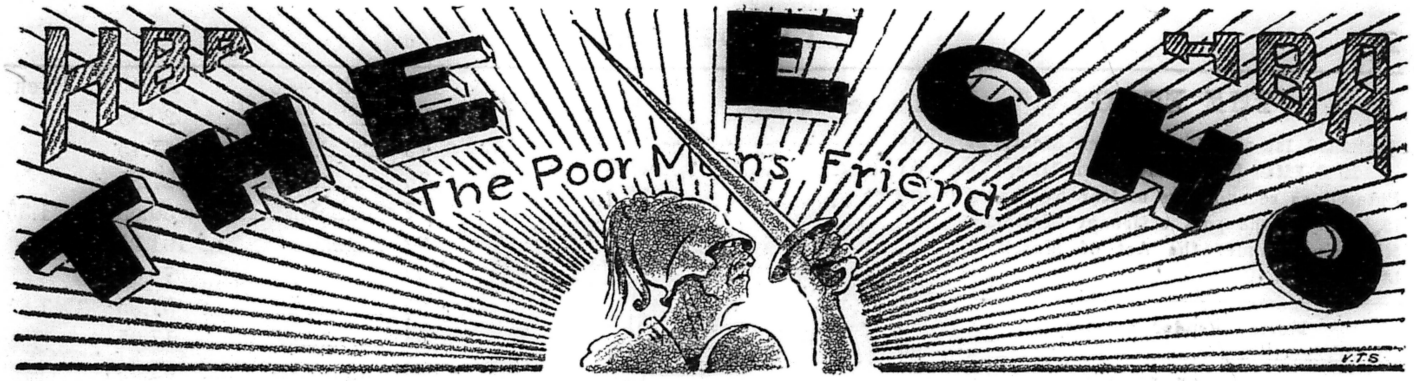

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Board Collection Reaches $10287.69

The General Boards of the H. B. A. for December 1929 are now history. It seems that each Quarterly meeting grows better and better. We were successful in raising up until now $10287.69 on all claims. This includes Death Claims, Quarterly Dues and Building assessment. We had thirty five claimants to be paid and each one was paid $223.00. Perfect harmony and peace prevail throughout the Boards. The Board in the upper district was held in the H. B. A. auditorium. Presidents Cooley, English and Trussell deserve great commendation for taking care of the Board, in such a splendid way. They did not hesitate in bringing out large baskets with palatable food, that would satisfy ones hungry desire.

The March Board of one of the districts will convene in Meridian. It was hoped that all of the City Presidents would manifest the interest that was manifested by these three presidents and their members. If any of the rest of the presidents and their members took part in feeding we have not as yet been notified.

On Saturday December 14th we were in Hattiesburg with president Barnett. It is hardly possible to describe the splendid manner in which A. J Barnett managed affairs. A. J. Barnett seems to be as clean as a hound's tooth. He is an honest working H. B. A. He seems to be as honest as he is tall. The office feels that A. J. Barnett can be depended upon and the H. B. A. in his section is entrusted to his care. The people and the rest of the presidents in and around Hattiesburg are also of the Barnett type, and they are going to see to it that the H. B. A. does not trail in the dust. A. J. Barnett does forget the spiritual side of our work. The special program that was rendered by him and his good people will not be forgotten soon. We hope that president Barnett and his good people will put on a special program some nights during the week and invite us to come down and help him to put things over. Mrs. Mattie Nicholson and some other in Hattiesburg are also loyal to this order and when they speak they are heard from this office. We feel that it is our duty to stop and pay attention to their call because they have proven their worth to the order and we hope that they will continue to prove faithful.

The March Board will meet in the following places:

Deerbrook, Miss., Meridian, Miss., Quitman, Miss., Collins, Mississippi Canton, Miss., Pinola, Miss., and East Hattiesburg. The people at Hattiesburg must love the H. B. A. because they voted for the next Board to be held in their City.

Secretary

NOTICE

In the last issue the Son said that dad stepped off. I say in this issue did he fall in the hold?. I. E.

CRANDALL, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 123 is doing nicely. We met at the usual hour on the first Tuesday night after the first Sunday in this month and had a lovely meeting. The weather was quite unfavorable, but our attendance was good. A happy spirit prevailed through out the meeting Mesdames Adell Murphey and Ada Simpson proved themselves equal to the task as secretaries. Such efficient women are a blessing to any community. Rev. Phillips and S. L. Donald visited the Annual Conference at Laurel, Mississippi and reported a nice time. Rev. J. McRae has gone to his Annual Conference, which convenes at Moss-Point, Miss. We are trusting that he will bring a good report back to the Quitman, Circuit. No. 123 is planning to celebrate the Emancipation January 1, 1930 at Mt. Hebron A. M E. Church. All friends are invited to attend. A program will be rendred.

Sister Laura Donald and her son, Tomie, were buried November 17th and 18th. They leaves a host of relatives to mourn their passing. We were blessed not to have any doctor bills turned in on our last meeting. Mrs. Courtry Smith and son are improving from an illness at the home of their daughter and sister, Mrs. E. Donald.

Booster.

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Lodge No.	Amount	Back
1	39.05	
2	57.25	
3	51.25	
4	61.45	
5	27.85	
8	14.25	
9	72.85	
11	64.25	
18	15.25	
19	30.65	
20	44.65	
21	76.85	
22	44.65	
25	26.45	
27	54.45	
28	104.85	
30	85.25	
31	43.25	
32	33.45	
33	65.65	
39	76.85	
40	50.25	
42	43.25	
44	12.45	
47	58.65	
50	33.45	
53	41.85	
54	13.85	
56	26.45	
60	15.25	
61	18.05	
67	41.85	
69	75.45	
70	75.05	
72	53.05	
79	30.65	
80	61.45	
82	106.25	
84	13.85	
85	72.65	
94	37.65	
96	58.65	
100	8.25	
110	41.85	
112	53.05	
114	121.65	
113	58.85	
119	90.85	
121	16.25	
122	33 45	
125	53.05	
127	141.25	
139	58.65	
141	34.85	
145	95.05	
147	25.05	
151	36.25	
153	48.85	
157	48.85	
191	29.25	
163	19.45	
176	34.85	
185	102.05	
190	155.25	
192	23.55	
194	61.45	
195	62.85	
196	53.05	
201	40.45	
203	9.65	
204	9.65	
210	11.05	
213	128.65	
235	27.85	
23	$111.85	
45	79.45	
49	36.25	
52	44.35	
55	39.05	$ 3.60
57	146.75	
58	43.25	
62	5.45	
63	27.85	
64	79.45	
66	11.05	
71	53.05	
74	20.85	
75	47.45	
76	27.85	
77	30.55	1.35
92	101.95	
93	79.45	
95	51.55	1.80
98	17.95	
99	32.05	
102	120.25	
103	19.45	
105	32.05	.90
108	74.05	
109	19.45	
115	23.55	
116	76.85	
118	65.65	
120	1.40	
123	82.45	
130	54.30	
131	37.65	
132	43.45	
133	118.85	
135	13.85	
137	12.45	
146	39.05	
148	25.05	
152	32.05	
159	15.25	
160	46.05	
162	26.45	
165	53.05	
166	16.65	
167	23.55	
173	29.25	3.60
178	12.45	
179	51.65	
180	12.45	
181	45.95	
189	67.05	
193	36.25	
198	43.25	
199	34.75	
200	45.95	
202	27.85	
205	17.95	
207	41.85	
209	9.65	
212	40.45	
215	32.05	
217	19.45	
218	27.85	
219	26.45	
220	16.65	
221	30.65	
222	30.65	

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224	74.05	
226	25.05	
228	19.45	
230	41.95	
231	64.25	
232	33.45	
233	25.05	
234	9.65	
235	27.85	
236	19.45	
237	17.95	
239	71.25	
242	41.85	
245	29.25	
247	19.45	
248	23.65	
249	53.05	
251	39.05	
252	12.45	
253	120.25	
254	17.95	
256	20.85	
258	23.55	
260	17.95	
261	18.05	
262	13.85	
263	39.05	
266	13.85	
267	33.45	
268	5.45	
269	25.05	
270	89.45	
272	2.80	
275	11.05	
276	15.25	2.30
277	82.45	
278	33.45	
279	6.85	
281	33.45	
285	32.05	
286	50.25	
287	13.85	
288	51.65	
289	11.20	
290	53.05	
292	19.45	
293	27.85	
294	12.45	4.15
296	25.05	
299	16.65	
300	12.45	
301	83.65	
302	11.05	
303	19.45	
304	32.05	
305	9.65	
306	47.45	
307	25.05	
308	43.65	
311	6.85	
312	15.25	1.25
313	43.25	
316	23.55	
317	51.65	
319	19.45	
322	8.25	
324	15.25	
326	104.85	
330	11.05	
332	40.45	
334	11.05	
336	15.25	
337	32.05	
340	20.85	
341	20.85	
343	30.65	
344	23.65	
345	37.65	
346	4.05	
347	37.65	
348	23.65	
352	5.45	
353	37.65	
354	19.45	
355	16.65	
358	37.65	
359	13.85	
360	5.45	
362	27.85	
364	13.85	
365	15.25	
368	69.85	
369	19.45	
370	15.25	
376	9.65	
377	6.85	
378	9.65	
380	11.05	
381	25.05	
382	12.45	
383	33.45	
384	6.85	
385	8.25	
386	11.05	
387	26.45	
388	20.85	
389	11.05	
390	20.85	
391	18.05	
392	13.85	
393	13.85	
394	23.65	
395	16.65	
396	25.05	
397	12.45	
398	6.85	
399	12.45	
400	18.05	
401	15.25	
402	20.85	
403	15.25	
404	11.05	
405	16.65	
408	20.85	
409	16.65	
410	19.45	
411	13.85	
413	6.85	
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416	12.45	
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One of our neighbors was very fortunate to have three baby calves at the same time by one cow. Of course the owner feels very proud to know that his cows are increasing by three folds.

B. J. Tatum, President.

PORTERVILLE, MISS.

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E. M. Cotton, Reporter.

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WAY-SIDE MEDICINE
(By Dr. L. F. Brooks)

The writer of way-side medicine pauses at this point my dear friends and readers, to greet you in the spirit of the season. And now is come a time when every heart should be glad, glad because of life, glad because life is not such a problem but is an opportunity to do some thing worth while to help make this a better world for men to live in; glad because it affords everyone of us to the last man a chance to be a real human being. Pulsating with a love that is kind and strong and seeks to understand before conclusions are reached. May you be filled with that kind of love for one another the kind that sparkled through the street of Bethlehem over 1900 years ago and comes ringing down the ages to you pleading that you, be kind and patience with one another.

Men every-where seemingly have lost patience with each other, the cold biting spirit of greed and gain has supplanted that tender faith and regards in the hearts of men. The weak have become the victims of the strong. Every where the air is charged and vibrates with the shrieks and moans of the down trodden and oppressed. May the spirit of the season intreat them to return once again to the faithful and unselfish execution of the power that has been so entrusted in their hands. Many a people are sad and discourged at this time because seemingly luck has not been with them. They reason that because they do not have an aboudance of money to spend for food and drink and all of that, that Christmas must be dull with them as the expression goes, but the wise and sane man takes a different view of life, of the world and Christmas. He thanks God for life, for what he has, and that which he has not, he still thanks God, that there is a great big opportunity to seek after those things he has not.

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